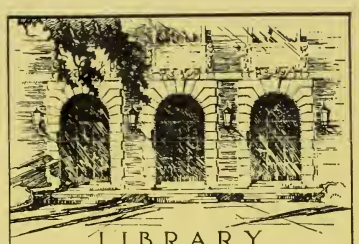

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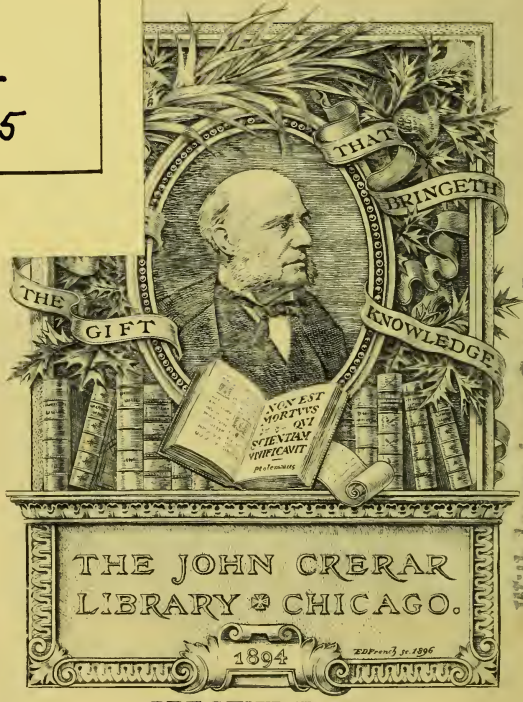

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FOR THE YEAR

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PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1906, to 30th March, 1907.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—During the year 5,257 volumes have been added to the libraries—4,931 by purchase and 326 by gift. The withdrawals of worn-out or obsolete works, and duplicates no longer required were considerable, amounting to 6,238 volumes, principally from the St. Martin's Lane Library consequent upon the reorganization of the lending department, referred to later. The present stock of books is located as follows :—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	12,367	20,960	33,327
South Audley Street Library	1,718	12,367	14,085
Great Smith Street Library	6,562	20,127	26,689
Trevor Square Library	81	5,577	5,658
St. Martin's Lane Library	21,785	12,520	34,305
TOTALS	42,513	71,551	114,064

RENEWALS.—For replacing worn-out copies of standard books 2,970 volumes have been purchased at a cost of £515; 1,760 of these were for the St. Martin's Lane Library.

REFERENCE LIBRARIES.—In the reference departments 179,900 volumes have been consulted, as against 188,121 in the previous year. The reduction in the total is mainly owing to the closing of the libraries during short periods

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for cleaning and decoration. The daily average issue has decreased by 12.

LENDING LIBRARIES.—From the lending departments 319,556 volumes have been borrowed, a reduction of 1,158 on the figures of last year (320,714). The daily average, however, has increased from 1,185 to 1,196; the slight falling off in the total being due, as with the reference libraries, to the closing of the departments on a larger number of days.

LOSSES.—By default of borrowers only 8 books, of the total value of thirty shillings, have been lost to the libraries; which is evidence of the good faith of the borrowers generally, and of the sufficiency of the regulations.

CLASS OF READING.—The class of books read is very satisfactory from the educational standpoint, and yearly improvement is noticeable in this respect. The issues of fiction still keep at a comparatively low percentage (41) to the whole of the reading.

NUMBER OF BORROWERS.—New tickets have been issued to 6,242 borrowers. There are now 11,623 readers enrolled in the lending libraries who hold 14,195 tickets.

TOTAL ISSUES AND ATTENDANCES.—The total issue of books from all the libraries was 499,456, as against 508,835 in 1905–6. From the periodical counts regularly taken the yearly attendance of readers is estimated to be about 2,900,000, giving a daily average of 10,000. This shows an increased use of the reading-rooms to the extent of 1,000 persons daily.

SUNDAY OPENING.—The opening on Sunday evenings between 6 and 9-30 has been continued during the winter months (October–March) at the Buckingham Palace Road and St. Martin's Lane libraries, with resulting attendances

regarded by the Committee as satisfactory, and sufficient to justify its continuance. A table of these attendances will be found on page 15. At Buckingham Palace Road the average number of Sunday readers was 190 as against 166 in the previous winter, and at St. Martin's Lane 363 as compared with 359. The Committee, being desirous of ascertaining what proportion of this attendance is by citizens of Westminster, have, with the approval of the Council, decided that Sunday visitors in the ensuing winter shall be requested to write their names and addresses in a book provided for that purpose at the Library.

St. Martin's Lane Library.—As an initial step in the general re-organization and re-classification of the libraries, special attention has been devoted during the year to the lending department of St. Martin's Lane Library. The proposals of the Chief Librarian, adopted by the Committee and sanctioned by the Council, embodied the withdrawal of some 5,000 volumes, including 450 duplicates, the transfer to other departments of 2,500 volumes, the replacement of 2,000 volumes, the addition of 750 volumes for completion of sets and series, and the re-binding of about 1,500 volumes. It was not possible to meet the whole cost in the year under review, but the bulk of the books have been obtained and the remainder are provided for in the current estimates.

The re-classification of the books is now being proceeded with, preparatory to the compilation of a new catalogue, which is greatly needed. Attempt is being made to carry out this special work without inconveniencing the borrowers by closing the library for a lengthened period, consequently progress is somewhat slow.

Proposed Central Reference Library.—The Committee have had for some time under consideration a

proposal for the formation of a Central Reference Library, to concentrate the present separate reference collections under one roof. Such a change is much to be desired on many grounds, principally that of the greater public utility of a larger and more complete collection than is afforded by the reference libraries as at present divided. Considerable advantage would also accrue in a more economical and efficient administration. The difficulty in carrying such a scheme into effect lies in the want of a suitable central building for the location of a large reference collection without disturbing the other departments. The General Purposes Committee have suggested that possibly a portion of Caxton Hall could by adaptation be utilized for the purpose, and to this end, by resolution of the Council, plans have been prepared and a scheme submitted which is receiving the present careful consideration of the Committee.

CHILDREN'S READING.—In December last a communication was received from the Westminster Adult School suggesting the establishment of a separate reading-room for children. While fully alive to the importance and advantage of this special provision for juvenile readers the Committee realize that the successful working of such separate department demands accommodation which the libraries do not possess : they are, therefore, unable to give effect to the proposal. But they would point out that provision for children's reading is not neglected, as the special selections of juvenile books in the lending departments number upwards of 6,000 volumes, and 37,919 were borrowed by children in the past year.

NET BOOK SYSTEM.—In February, representatives of the Committee were nominated to attend a Conference called by the Library Association to consider the Net Book

System. At that Conference certain resolutions were passed urging upon publishers the claims of Public Libraries to special terms or discounts. After considering the report of their representatives the Committee resolved to abstain from any active participation in the movement, feeling that the continuance or modification of the net book system is a difficult and delicate question which the publishers and booksellers may reasonably claim to settle for themselves without interference or dictation from public bodies.

COLONIAL NEWSPAPERS.—Through the agency, in the first instance, of the Victoria League, arrangements have been made for an exchange of newspapers with the Carnegie Public Library, Ottawa. This secures us the regular supply of three of the principal Canadian newspapers—one for each of the main libraries. The recent reduction in postal rates enables the exchange to be made at a trifling cost. Extension of such a system of exchange between British and Colonial public libraries would afford a valuable means of intercourse between the constituent parts of the empire.

GIFTS.—A list is given of the donors to the libraries. The gifts include, as in previous years, a large number of useful works. Special mention should be made of the presentation by Mr. J. V. Kitto, of 60 copies of his book "The Accounts of the Churchwardens of St. Martin-in-the Fields, 1525—1603," being the surplus stock of this publication. These volumes are available for exchange with a view to securing for our libraries copies of similar publications of local records. The Librarian would be glad to hear from local authorities or others who may be able to offer such works in exchange.

EXPENDITURE.—As the result of administrative economies effected during the past few years, the annual expenditure has been reduced to the lowest figure compatible with the adequate maintenance and efficiency of the institutions. In the estimates for the current year, the expenditure has been brought down to a total which is £600 less than the product of a halfpenny rate, notwithstanding a demand for £550 additional on account of rates and taxes and the cost (about £135) of Sunday opening. The City Comptroller's Financial Statement and particulars of Loans will be found at the end of the Report.

On behalf of the Committee,

H. J. GREENWOOD,

Chairman.

F. PACY,

Chief Librarian.

June, 1907.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		Trevor Square Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1906	12,049	20,222	1,689	12,010	6,382	19,801	80	5,342	18,767	18,703	115,045
Since withdrawn	1	1	—	1	—	221	—	11	28	5,975	6,238
Do. transferred	—	1	—	—	13	—	—	—	—	2,831	2,845
	12,048	20,220	1,689	12,009	6,369	19,580	80	5,331	18,739	9,897	105,962
Added, 1906-1907	316	740	26	294	193	466	1	147	451	2,623	5,257
Do. do. by transfer	3	—	3	64	—	81	—	99	2,595	—	2,845
Total at 30th March, 1907 ...	12,367	20,960	1,718	12,367	6,562	20,127	81	5,577	21,785	12,520	114,064
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	33,327		14,085		26,689		5,658		34,305		

Combined Totals

Reference Libraries	42,513
Lending Libraries	71,551
Total Volumes ...	114,064

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ..	61	635	1,772	670	306	1,331	1,532	4,022	—	2,038	—	12,367	33,327
Lending Department ...	186	1,000	729	838	292	1,065	3,030	5,349	5,545	696	2,230	20,960	
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	12	84	164	71	54	139	368	531	—	295	—	1,718	14,085
Lending Department ...	94	460	356	503	156	549	1,597	3,235	3,711	497	1,209	12,367	
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	11	175	453	164	1,680	219	2,037	1,711	—	112	—	6,562	26,689
Lending Department ...	181	1,141	837	1,009	498	556	2,804	6,055	4,330	1,597	1,119	20,127	
TREVOR SQUARE LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ..	—	—	—	—	2	3	25	10	—	41	—	81	5,658
Lending Department ...	25	145	82	123	82	88	327	1,102	2,755	588	260	5,577	
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY:—	4,210		4,393	6,448		3,950	11,720	22,015	16,341	5,864	4,818	79,759	
Reference Department ...	1,112		2,932	1,605		1,249	1,760	5,698	30	7,399	—	21,785	34,305
Lending Department ...	476		460	1,119		314	1,122	3,461	*5,399	169	—	12,520	
SUMMARY:—													
Reference Libraries ...	2,090		5,321	4,552		2,941	5,722	11,972	30	9,885	—	42,513	114,064
Lending Libraries	3,708		2,464	4,620		2,572	8,880	19,202	21,740	3,547	4,818	71,551	
Totals	5,798		7,785	9,172		5,513	14,602	31,174	21,770	13,432	4,818	114,064	

* Includes Children's Books, pending re-classification.

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 30th, 1907.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	37,597	117,922	155,519
South Audley Street Library	9,409	41,960	51,369
Great Smith Street Library	32,917	73,379	106,296
Trevor Square Library	8,039	13,276	21,315
St. Martin's Lane Library	91,938	73,019	164,957
Totals	179,900	319,556	499,456

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on pages 12 to 14.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	684,018
South Audley Street...	413,232
Great Smith Street	509,535
Trevor Square	95,339
St. Martin's Lane	1,121,606
Total	2,823,730

CLASSIFICATION OF THE

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
Buckingham Palace Road Library:—						
Reference Department	294	200	1,582	3,490	1,346	2,567
Lending Department	267	399	1,041	1,168	1,691	1,039
	—	599	2,623	4,658	3,037	3,606
South Audley Street Library:—						
Reference Department	299	53	194	413	150	499
Lending Department	266½	106	355	423	692	396
	—	159	549	836	842	895
Great Smith Street Library:—						
Reference Department	296	96	326	4,430	975	1,188
Lending Department	264½	185	743	1,073	1,329	999
	—	281	1,069	5,503	2,304	2,187
Trevor Square Library:—						
Reference Department	304	7	30	20	20	14
Lending Department	266½	7	60	23	48	27
	—	14	90	43	68	41
St. Martin's Lane Library:—						
Reference Department	288	1,882		9,846	6,130	
Lending Department	270½	611		606	1,539	
	—	2,493		10,452	7,669	
Summary:—						
Reference Libraries	—	4,370		18,199	12,889	
Lending Libraries	—	3,507		3,293	7,760	
Totals	—	7,877		21,492	20,649	
Percentage in each class... ...	—	1·59		4·32	4·15	

ISSUES (EXCLUDING SUNDAYS).

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
4,963	7,244	8,029	—	7,396	—	36,817	125
3,349	7,654	12,385	64,970	1,749	22,477	117,922	442
8,312	14,898	20,414	64,970	9,145	22,477	154,739	567
627	1,706	2,244	—	3,523	—	9,409	31
1,144	2,467	3,773	25,881	1,191	5,532	41,960	157
1,771	4,173	6,017	25,881	4,714	5,532	51,369	188
721	2,278	10,538	—	12,365	—	32,917	111
1,491	3,378	6,768	44,482	3,329	9,602	73,379	277
2,212	5,656	17,306	44,482	15,694	9,602	106,296	388
24	2,971	714	—	4,239	—	8,039	26
30	80	494	7,868	4,331	308	13,276	50
54	3,051	1,208	7,868	8,570	308	21,315	76
5,471	5,786	23,914	193	37,552	—	90,774	315
945	1,899	5,075	62,041	303	—	73,019	270
6,416	7,685	28,989	62,234	37,855	—	163,793	585
11,806	19,985	45,439	193	65,075	—	177,956	—
6,959	15,478	28,495	205,242	10,903	37,919	319,556	—
18,765	35,463	73,934	205,435	75,978	37,919	497,512	—
3·77	7·13	14·86	41·29	15·27	7·62	100·00	—

ISSUES OF BOOKS ON SUNDAYS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARIES.

(7 Months—April, 1906 and October, 1906, to March, 1907.)

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy, Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science and Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Totals.	Average per Sunday, 1906-7.	*Average per Sunday, 1905-6.*
Buckingham Palace Road Library	29	33	46	96	104	238	157	106	780	27	*34*
St. Martin's Lane Library	29	33	137	119	105	109	342	319	1,164	40	*32*
Totals	—	66	183	215	209	347	499	425	1,944	—	—

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES.

Month	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Totals.	Daily Average.	
No. of Sundays Open ...	4	4	5	4	4	4	25	1906–7	*1905–6.*
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD:—									
Reference Library	56	70	59	81	56	56	378	15	*17*
Magazine Room	171	193	235	219	245	230	1,293	52	*32*
Reading Room	619	632	685	652	690	719	3,997	160	*131*
Whole Building	718	731	791	801	831	868	4,740	190	*166*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	179	183	158	200	208	217	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1905–6 ...	*107*	*145*	*146*	*163*	*195*	*211*	—	—	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE:—									
Reference Library	84	158	167	139	184	198	930	37	*29*
Magazine Room	437	538	726	634	550	527	3,412	136	*147*
Reading Room	928	1,126	1,238	1,137	1,124	1,187	6,740	270	*274*
Whole Building	1,200	1,500	1,680	1,628	1,488	1,583	9,079	363	*359*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	300	375	336	407	372	396	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1905–6 ...	*322*	*346*	*332*	*341*	*442*	*376*	—	—	—
Total Attendances (2 Libraries) ...	1,918	2,231	2,471	2,429	2,319	2,451	13,819	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1905–6 ...	*1,823*	*1,967*	*1,915*	*2,018*	*2,552*	*2,349*	*12,624*	—	—

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1906)	5,567	1,949	3,021	406	3,404	14,347
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	3,149	985	1,641	226	1,943	7,944
	2,418	964	1,380	180	1,461	6,403
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to 6,242 Borrowers, of whom 1,550 hold an extra Student's Ticket	3,025	992	1,807	177	1,791	7,792
	5,443	1,956	3,187	357	3,252	14,195

Analysis.

Adult Borrowers	4,088	1,477	2,450	344	2,638	10,997
Juvenile Borrowers	309	125	192	—	—	626
Total Borrowers	4,397	1,602	2,642	344	2,638	11,623
Students' Tickets	1,046	354	545	13	614	2,572
	5,443	1,956	3,187	357	3,252	14,195

Particulars as to New Borrowers Enrolled during the Year 1906–1907.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			Trevor Square Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—																
Conduit Ward	—	1	—	10	58	47	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	3	126
Grosvenor Ward	—	—	—	78	413	64	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	556
Knightsbridge Ward	84	284	1	2	5	5	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	385
Victoria Ward	310	1,453	18	—	4	—	7	61	—	—	1	—	1	8	1	1,864
St. Margaret and St. John :—																
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	1	6	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	21	135	4	—	—	—	168
St. John Ward	9	94	6	—	—	1	155	643	59	—	—	—	—	7	—	974
St. Margaret Ward	11	66	40	—	—	1	45	151	330	—	—	—	1	6	55	706
St. Martin and St. Paul :—																
Charing Cross Ward	—	2	—	—	1	5	—	8	9	—	—	—	24	67	288	404
Covent Garden Ward	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	143	185	365
St. James :—																
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	—	—	—	26	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	37	5	79
Pall Mall Ward	—	5	9	4	8	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	38	60	130
Regent Ward	—	1	1	2	27	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	75	45	182
Other Strand Parishes :—																
St. Anne Ward	—	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	102	33	155
Strand Ward	—	—	2	1	1	2	—	—	11	—	—	—	8	19	104	148
	415	1,912	78	100	546	158	207	863	410	22	138	4	103	507	779	6,242

Summary :—Ratepayers, 847 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,966 ; Non-Resident Employés, 1,429* ; Total, 6,242.

* Of the 1,429 Non-Resident Borrowers 509 are Civil Servants.

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1906-1907.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	175	76	103	—	—	354
13 to 16	311	81	128	6	154	680
16 to 18	134	48	115	15	123	435
18 to 21	199	67	167	17	210	660
Above 21	1,586	532	967	126	902	4,113
Totals	2,405	804	1,480	164	1,389	6,242
Sexes.						
Males :—						
Adults	1,088	354	888	71	1,028	3,429
Juveniles	97	29	57	—	—	183
Totals	1,185	383	945	71	1,028	3,612
Females :—						
Adults	1,142	374	489	93	361	2,459
Juveniles	78	47	46	—	—	171
Totals	1,220	421	535	93	361	2,630

OCCUPATIONS OF BORROWERS

ENROLLED BETWEEN APRIL 1ST, 1906, AND MARCH 30TH, 1907.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	TOTALS.
Accountants	5	2	5	—	4	16
Actors and Actresses... ...	11	—	2	1	8	22
Agents...	5	—	2	—	3	10
Apprentices	1	1	5	—	6	13
Architects	5	1	2	—	3	11
Army Officers	13	—	2	—	—	15
Artificial Limb Maker ...	—	—	—	—	1	1
Artists and Art Students ...	12	1	2	—	4	19
Artists' Model...	—	—	1	—	—	1
Assistants (Shop and other) ...	41	36	17	1	48	143
Astronomer	1	—	—	—	—	1
Attendants	—	1	4	1	1	7
Auditor	—	—	1	—	—	1
Authors	3	—	2	—	2	7
Bag Liner	1	—	—	—	—	1
Bakers	2	—	3	—	1	6
Bank Clerks	4	—	—	—	—	4
Barmen and Barmaids ...	1	—	1	—	3	5
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Bedding Manufacturer ...	—	1	—	—	—	1
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Bookbinders	1	—	3	—	7	11
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Box Maker	1	—	—	—	—	1
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Builders	7	2	4	—	—	13
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Chefs	2	—	—	—	—	2
Chemical Cleaner	—	—	1	—	—	1
Chemists	10	14	1	1	6	32
Chimney Sweeps	—	—	2	—	—	2
China Repairer	—	—	1	—	—	1
Chiropodist	—	—	—	1	—	1

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Chocolate Manufacturer ...	—	1	—	—	—	1
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Civil Servants...	54	19	194	—	289	556
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Coffee-house Keepers... ...	—	—	3	—	—	3
Collectors	—	—	3	—	3	6
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Commissionaires	—	—	2	—	5	7
Companion	—	—	—	—	1	1
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Contractor	—	—	1	—	—	1
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Curio Dealer	1	—	—	—	—	1
Cutler	—	—	—	—	1	1
Dairy-keepers...	7	—	—	—	—	7
Dealers	—	—	—	1	3	4
Dentists	5	2	1	1	2	11
Designers	—	1	1	—	—	2
Diplomatist	1	—	—	—	—	1
Director	—	—	1	—	—	1
Dispensers	—	—	1	—	1	2
Domestic Servants	116	95	34	15	36	296
Drapers and Assistants ...	13	6	4	22	2	47
Draughtsmen	6	2	11	—	7	26
Dressmakers and Assistants ...	86	27	31	7	13	164
Dyer	—	—	—	—	1	1
Electric Lamp Maker ...	1	—	—	—	—	1
Electricians	6	3	8	1	—	18
Embroideresses	1	3	1	—	1	6
Engineers—Civil and Mechanical	33	2	21	2	6	64
,, Electrical ...	4	—	—	—	3	7
Engravers and Assistants ...	1	—	—	—	4	5
Errand and Office Boys ...	6	1	25	—	10	42
Fan Maker	—	—	—	—	1	1
Farriers	—	1	—	1	—	2
Firemen	—	—	4	—	2	6
Fishing-tackle Maker ...	—	1	—	—	—	1
Fishmongers	1	1	—	—	—	2
Fitters	2	—	3	1	1	7
Florists	1	—	1	—	—	2
Forewoman	—	—	1	—	—	1
French Polisher	1	—	—	—	—	1
Fruiterers	1	3	—	—	1	5
Furniture Dealers	2	—	—	—	—	2
Furriers	—	—	—	1	1	2
Gardener	—	—	—	1	—	1
Gas Fitters	2	—	1	—	—	3
Gas Inspector	1	—	—	—	—	1

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	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Glass Worker	—	—	1	—	—	1
Goldsmith	1	—	—	—	—	1
Governesses	7	4	—	—	—	11
Greengrocers	4	—	—	—	—	4
Grocers and Provision Dealers	8	—	4	—	7	19
Grooms	4	2	1	—	—	7
Gun Makers	1	1	—	—	—	2
Hair Dressers...	5	3	1	—	2	11
Harness Makers	—	—	—	1	1	2
Hotel-keepers...	1	4	—	1	4	10
House Agent	1	—	—	—	—	1
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Ironmonger	1	—	—	—	—	1
Jobmasters	—	1	—	1	—	2
Journalists	9	—	4	1	6	20
Justice of the Peace	1	—	—	—	—	1
Labeller	—	—	—	—	1	1
Labourers	4	—	9	—	1	14
Lace Maker	—	—	—	—	1	1
Lace Menders...	3	—	—	—	—	3
Lamp Trimmer	—	—	1	—	—	1
Lamplighter	—	—	1	—	—	1
Laundress	—	—	1	—	—	1
Law Writers	—	—	2	—	—	2
Leather Buyer	—	1	—	—	—	1
Leather Workers	2	—	—	1	1	4
Lecturer	1	—	—	—	—	1
Letter Sorters...	4	—	3	—	—	7
Librarian	—	1	—	—	—	1
Library Assistants	3	—	4	—	5	12
Licensed Victuallers	1	1	3	—	4	9
Lift Attendants	—	—	1	1	1	3
Linen Keeper...	—	—	1	—	—	1
Lock Master	1	—	—	—	—	1
Lodging-house Keepers ...	12	5	—	1	—	18
Machinists	1	—	3	—	—	4
Managers and Manageresses...	12	3	10	—	6	31
Manicurist	—	—	—	1	—	1
Map Mounter	1	—	—	—	—	1
Masons	—	—	3	—	—	3
Masseur	1	—	—	—	—	1
Matrons	3	—	—	—	—	3
Mechanics	3	1	2	—	3	9
Medical Practitioners... ...	8	1	1	4	1	15
Medical Students	3	—	2	—	1	6
Member of Parliament ...	—	—	1	—	—	1
Merchants	1	1	—	—	4	6
Messengers	6	—	12	—	16	34

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	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Metal Polisher	1	—	—	—	—	1
Metal Worker	1	—	2	—	—	3
Milk Carrier	—	—	1	—	—	1
Milliners and Assistants ...	16	10	3	2	6	37
Motor Drivers...	2	—	1	—	—	3
Motor Mechanic	—	1	—	—	—	1
Mounter	—	—	—	—	1	1
Musicians and Musical Students	24	2	3	—	1	30
Naval Officers...	1	—	1	—	—	2
Needle-workers	2	—	2	—	—	4
Newsagent	—	—	1	—	—	1
Nurses	9	1	4	1	6	21
Oil and Colourmen	—	1	—	—	1	2
Omnibus Conductor	—	—	1	—	—	1
Omnibus Proprietor	—	—	1	—	—	1
Opticians	2	—	1	—	1	4
Organ Builder...	—	—	—	—	1	1
Organist	—	—	1	—	—	1
Outfitters	—	—	—	2	—	2
Overseers and Foreman ...	4	—	1	—	4	9
Packers	2	3	6	—	3	14
Packing Case Makers ...	—	—	1	—	2	3
Page Boys	—	6	1	—	6	13
Painters and Decorators ...	7	3	3	—	—	13
Paper Merchant	1	—	—	—	—	1
Park-keeper	—	—	1	—	—	1
Pawnbrokers	2	—	—	—	—	2
Pensioners	2	—	—	—	—	2
Perfumer	1	—	—	—	—	1
Photographers...	6	—	3	—	3	12
Physical Culture Teacher ...	—	—	1	—	—	1
Piano Makers	1	—	1	—	—	2
Piano Tuners	—	2	—	—	—	2
Picture Restorer	—	1	—	—	—	1
Plasterers	2	—	—	—	—	2
Plumassier	—	—	—	—	1	1
Plumbers	4	—	1	—	—	5
Police Officers...	7	4	17	—	4	32
Porters	13	8	18	2	8	49
Portmanteau Makers	1	—	2	—	—	3
Post Office Clerks	3	9	—	1	—	13
Postmen	10	4	6	—	2	22
Printer's Readers	2	—	4	—	1	7
Printers and Compositors ...	8	2	22	1	22	55
Publishers	—	—	—	—	3	3
Railway Employés	3	1	—	—	—	4
Rate Collectors	—	1	1	—	—	2
Relief Stampers	1	—	1	—	1	3
Relieving Officers	1	—	1	—	1	3
Rent Collector	—	—	1	—	—	1
Restaurant Keepers	1	—	—	—	1	2

OCCUPATIONS OF BORROWERS—*continued.*

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	TOTALS.
Saddlers	1	4	—	—	1	6
Sailor	—	1	—	—	—	1
Scholars	203	61	57	2	97	420
School Keeper	—	—	—	—	1	1
School Masters, School Mistresses and Teachers ...	40	10	23	2	18	93
Sculptors	1	—	1	—	—	2
Secretaries	21	8	14	—	10	53
Shirt Makers	—	—	2	—	—	2
Shopkeepers	2	—	1	1	3	7
Shorthand Writers	7	—	17	—	7	31
Silversmiths	2	—	—	—	4	6
Sisters of Mercy	3	—	—	—	—	3
Soldiers	5	—	5	—	1	11
Solicitors	3	1	3	1	4	12
Stablemen	—	—	2	—	—	2
Stage Managers	—	—	—	—	2	2
Stationers	4	2	3	—	4	13
Stewards	3	1	1	—	3	8
Storekeepers	3	2	2	—	2	9
Students	24	8	12	1	6	51
Superintendents	2	—	1	—	—	3
Surgical Fitter	—	—	1	—	—	1
Surgical Instrument Maker ...	—	1	—	—	—	1
Surveyors	1	—	5	—	6	12
Tailors and Tailoresses ...	11	15	10	1	34	71
Tax Collectors	—	—	1	1	—	2
Teacher of Languages ...	1	—	—	—	—	1
Teachers of Dancing... ...	2	—	—	—	—	2
Telegraph Messengers ...	4	—	—	—	—	4
Telegraphic Linemen ...	—	—	2	—	—	2
Telegraphists	4	1	1	—	6	12
Telephone Clerks	3	—	4	1	—	8
Time Keepers...	2	—	—	—	—	2
Tobacconists	2	—	2	—	3	7
Tracers	—	—	4	—	—	4
Trimmer	1	—	—	—	—	1
Trunk Makers	—	—	—	1	1	2
Turners	2	—	1	—	—	3
Tutors	2	—	1	—	—	3
Typists...	8	5	25	—	47	85
Umbrella Maker	—	—	—	—	1	1
Upholsterers	3	—	—	1	—	4
Usher	1	—	—	—	—	1
Vergers	2	1	—	—	—	3
Veterinary Surgeon	—	1	—	—	—	1
Vocalists	1	—	4	—	—	5
Waiters and Waitresses ...	8	3	15	1	4	31
Wardrobe Dealer	—	—	1	—	—	1
Warehousemen	9	3	8	—	10	30
Watchmakers and Jewellers...	8	12	4	1	6	31
Waterproofer	1	—	—	—	—	1

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Wig-maker	—	—	—	1	—	1
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Ealing	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
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Hanley	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
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Laundry Journal	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—
Liberty Review	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—
Licensing World	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Local Government Chronicle	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1
Local Government Journal	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—
Local Government Officer	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
London Argus	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—
London County Council Gazette	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1
London Crusader	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—
London Temperance Times	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—
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Mechanical World	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Methodist Recorder ...	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
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Great Eastern	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1
Great Northern	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1
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Printing of Catalogues ..	5 4 6	—	—	—	—	—	5 4 6
Newspapers and Periodicals...	142 17 2	50 8 0	128 16 7	71 3 1	145 10 11	—	538 15 9
Salaries and Wages	1,236 17 11	602 9 7	772 5 8	218 12 0	860 7 11	427 10 7	4,118 3 8
Printing and Stationery ...	79 11 6	7 1 8	27 17 10	5 6 0	88 5 7	35 15 11	243 18 6
Fuel, Light and Water ...	236 19 7	118 11 0	238 1 3	27 4 8	280 19 10	—	901 16 4
Uniforms	13 3 3	6 5 6	10 13 9	—	9 19 0	—	40 1 6
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurance	188 12 10	193 19 9	149 17 6	131 5 3	149 12 3	—	813 7 7
Cleaning Materials	33 4 7	12 9 7	28 14 11	3 12 6	23 18 8	—	102 0 3
Postage and Office Expenses	13 19 5	1 8 8	4 11 2	1 10 4	3 14 1	4 5 9	29 9 5
Superannuation	—	—	—	—	—	40 8 9	40 8 9
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	—	194 1 0	194 1 0
Miscellaneous...	1 5 2	1 2 4	1 12 8	0 12 8	0 3 9	7 1 0	11 17 7
	2,719 16 8	1,295 9 1	1,848 5 2	659 19 9	2,612 3 5	709 3 0	9,844 17 1
Mortgage Loan Charges ...	789 19 4	325 5 4	359 8 2	—	763 9 0	—	2,238 1 10
£	3,509 16 0	1,620 14 5	2,207 13 4	659 19 9	3,375 12 5	709 3 0	12,082 18 11

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1907.

INCOME.

		Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance brought forward		—	—	—	—	—	—	
Fines...		66 14 1	27 7 11	47 16 0	5 12 9	40 17 0	188 7 9	
Catalogues		10 2 0	4 16 3	7 15 0	0 16 0	1 0 0	24 9 3	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	7 14 0	—	107 14 0	
Interest on Investment		81 2 8	—	—	—	—	81 2 8	
Donations and Miscellaneous ...		23 16 1	8 1 2	4 10 6	0 11 2	7 10 11	44 9 10	
		281 14 10	40 5 4	60 1 6	14 13 11	49 7 11	446 3 6	446 3 6
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—								
St. George, Hanover Square ...	4,441 15 5							
St. Margaret and St. John... ...	2,314 0 0							
St. Peter (Collegiate Close) ...	9 0 0							
St. James	2,030 0 0							
St. Anne, Soho	418 0 0							
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	1,394 0 0							
St. Clement Danes	512 0 0							
St. Mary-le-Strand	95 0 0							
St. Paul, Covent Garden	251 0 0							
Liberty of the Rolls	112 0 0							
Precinct of the Savoy	60 0 0							11,636 15 5
							£	12,082 18 11

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1907.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Interest.
	£			Y'rs		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road ...	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	10,057 0 0	441 16 0	348 3 4	9,615 4 0	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street ...	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	2,874 3 4	116 16 6	100 0 4	2,757 6 10	3½
Ditto ...	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	1,437 2 1	58 8 2	50 0 4	1,378 13 11	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN:—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	3,728 0 0	233 0 0	126 8 2	3,495 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS:—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	6,675 15 9	107 5 2	232 14 6	6,568 10 7	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	4,047 4 3	239 3 4	139 11 8	3,808 0 11	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	488 6 8	27 12 6	17 1 10	460 14 2	3½
	£ 43,390					£ 29,307 12 1	1,224 1 8	1,014 0 2	28,083 10 5	

LISTER WOODHOUSE, *City Comptroller.*

THE
JOHN CRERAR
LIBRARY

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

REPORT

OF THE

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City of Westminster.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1907, to 31st March, 1908.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—The additions during the year amounted to 3,739 volumes—3,545 having been acquired by purchase, and 194 by gift. Withdrawals of obsolete and useless books have been made to the number of 1,280 volumes, excluding the contents of the Trevor Square Branch Library now closed. The present stock of books, apart from the collection reserved as duplicates and for replacement, is 110,865 volumes, located between the four Libraries as follows :—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	12,644	21,687	34,331
South Audley Street Library	1,750	12,808	14,558
Great Smith Street Library	6,675	20,253	26,928
St. Martin's Lane Library	21,519	13,529	35,048
TOTALS	42,588	68,277	110,865

RENEWALS.—For replacing worn-out copies of standard works, 1,333 volumes have been purchased at a cost of £234 18*s.* 6*d.*, and 435 volumes have been used for the same purpose from the Trevor Square Library stock.

REFERENCE LIBRARIES.—The books consulted in the reference libraries totalled 180,784, an increase of 884 upon the figures of the previous year, the daily average issue being 597, an increase of 15.

LENDING LIBRARIES.—The books borrowed from the lending departments numbered 304,408 volumes, as against 319,556 last year. The decrease is exactly accounted for by the closing of the Trevor Square Library, the daily average issue in the present libraries remaining unaltered.

NUMBER OF BORROWERS.—New tickets have been issued to 6,120 borrowers. There are now 11,182 enrolled readers, who hold 14,236 tickets.

LOSSES.—Only five volumes, costing fifteen shillings to replace, have been lost by default of borrowers. In the large circulation of upwards of 300,000 books from the lending departments this must be regarded as very satisfactory.

CATALOGUES.—A new and complete Catalogue of the 13,000 volumes in the lending library at South Audley Street has been compiled, and is in the printer's hands.

A List of Fiction and Children's books in the St. Martin's Lane lending library has been published, forming the first part of the General Catalogue now in course of preparation.

TOTAL ISSUES AND ATTENDANCES.—The combined issues of books reached 485,192 as against 499,456. Regular counts are made at all the libraries, and, from the figures thus obtained, the total annual attendance is estimated at 2,710,000, giving a daily use by some 10,000 readers.

CLASS OF READING.—The improvement in the class of books read, noted in former reports, continues. There is a further drop in the proportion of Fiction from 41 to 38 per cent. of the total reading. The attention diverted from novels is, as might be expected, directed principally towards Biography, History and Travel. It is in the quality rather than the quantity of public reading that the usefulness and influence of our libraries is most marked.

SUNDAY OPENING.—The opening on Sunday evenings of the reference departments and reading rooms at Buckingham Palace Road and St. Martin's Lane Libraries has been continued during the six winter months (October to March). The attendances were somewhat less than in the previous year, the average being :—

Buckingham Palace Road, 174 readers as against 190.
St. Martin's Lane, 304 readers as against 363.

Notwithstanding this slight fall, your committee, judging from the class of persons who attend and the kind of books they read, consider that Sunday opening has been justified. The Council have adopted this view and decided upon a continuance during the ensuing winter. Statistics of the Sunday use will be found in the tables on pp. 14–15. For the first few Sundays in October, visitors were requested to subscribe their names and addresses with the object of ascertaining what proportion of the attendance was by citizens of Westminster. At Buckingham Palace Road the residents formed 84 per cent. of the total, but at St. Martin's Lane Library, situated in a non-residential locality, 70 per cent. were from other districts.

Closing of the Trevor Square Branch Library. —Mention should be made in this Report of the resolution of the Council, acting on the Committee's recommendations, to close the Library at Trevor Square. The institution was opened in June, 1858, as a branch library for the use of the outlying portion of the united parishes of St. Margaret and St. John, forming the Hamlet of Knightsbridge. The library commenced work in two small rooms, which accommodation was extended, from time to time, until 1886, when the whole of the house, 3, Trevor Square, was occupied. Therefore, for half a century, the library, despite unsuitable premises and cramped conditions, met a distinct need in the district. On the merging of the different parishes and districts now forming the City, four larger and much more complete libraries became available to the inhabitants. As the lease of the Trevor Square premises approached its expiration, a decision as to the future of this particular branch library was called for. Having regard to the facilities for public reading provided by the other libraries of the City, the Committee, while regretting the removal of a landmark in the history of the library movement in the Metropolis, were forced to the

conclusion that the Trevor Square Library, by reason of its limitations, was unsuited to modern requirements, and that it should be closed. Of the stock of some 6,000 books contained in the library about half have been retained as duplicates to be utilized for replacement. Out of the remaining volumes, such as were suitable were given to the Boards of Guardians in the City for the use of the inmates of the workhouses.

Consequent upon the closing of the library, Miss Elizabeth Smith, the Sub-librarian, retired on superannuation. The Committee have placed on record their appreciation of her faithful service extending over the long period of forty-four years.

OBITUARY.—By the regretted deaths of Councillors Henry W. Bradford and Col. G. B. B. Hobart, the Committee have lost two highly esteemed members. Both had long been actively and honourably associated with municipal life in Westminster, and their work in connection with the public libraries is sorely missed.

GIFTS.—A list of donors to the libraries is included in this Report. The Committee thankfully acknowledge the additions thus provided.

EXPENDITURE.—The City Comptroller's Statements of Account are submitted together with other tabular information.

On behalf of the Committee,

H. J. GREENWOOD,
Chairman.

F. PACY,
Chief Librarian.

July, 1908.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1907	12,367	20,960	1,718	12,367	6,562	20,127	21,785	12,520	108,406
Since withdrawn	13	2	1	3	2	292	531	436	1,280
Do. transferred	16	1	—	—	9	41	27	—	94
	12,338	20,957	1,717	12,364	6,551	19,794	21,227	12,084	107,032
Added, 1907-1908	286	729	20	442	83	459	292	1,428	3,739
Do. do. by transfer	20	1	13	2	41	—	—	17	94
Total at 31st March, 1908	12,644	21,687	1,750	12,808	6,675	20,253	21,519	13,529	110,865
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	34,331		14,558		26,928		35,048		

Combined Totals	Reference Libraries	42,588
	Lending Libraries	68,277
	Total Volumes ...	110,865

LIBRARY
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
Buckingham Palace Road Library:—													
Reference Department ...	61	647	1,817	692	314	1,387	1,559	4,081	—	2,086	—	12,644	34,331
Lending Department ...	189	1,030	760	873	307	1,100	3,169	5,588	5,661	715	2,295	21,687	
South Audley Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	84	164	71	56	152	368	546	—	297	—	1,750	14,558
Lending Department ...	97	467	370	542	170	568	1,649	3,370	3,805	514	1,256	12,808	
Great Smith Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	175	459	164	1,714	224	2,064	1,741	—	122	—	6,675	26,928
Lending Department ...	186	1,159	845	1,031	529	562	2,819	6,112	4,271	1,605	1,134	20,253	
St. Martin's Lane Library:—													
Reference Department ...	90	1,018	2,858	1,062	530	1,261	1,828	5,622	—	7,250	—	21,519	35,048
Lending Department ...	142	528	627	715	273	697	1,692	3,522	4,101	14	1,218	13,529	
Summary:—													
Reference Libraries ...	175	1,924	5,298	1,989	2,614	3,024	5,819	11,990	—	9,755	—	42,588	110,865
Lending Libraries	614	3,184	2,602	3,161	1,279	2,927	9,329	18,592	17,838	2,848	5,903	68,277	
Totals	789	5,108	7,900	5,150	3,893	5,951	15,148	30,582	17,838	12,603	5,903	110,865	

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 31st, 1908.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	39,257	118,396	157,653
South Audley Street Library	11,137	40,316	51,453
Great Smith Street Library	35,949	76,883	112,832
St. Martin's Lane Library	94,441	68,813	163,254
Totals	180,784	304,408	485,192

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on pages 10 to 12.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	687,074
South Audley Street...	436,184
Great Smith Street	510,957
St. Martin's Lane	1,076,229
Total	2,710,444

CLASSIFICATION OF THE

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	305	231	1,518	4,644	1,388	2,401
Lending Department	271½	442	1,180	1,380	1,771	1,107
	—	673	2,698	6,024	3,159	3,508
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	305	93	146	619	322	643
Lending Department	271½	134	405	365	722	337
	—	227	551	984	1,044	980
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	305	69	414	4,909	862	1,504
Lending Department	271½	211	616	1,214	1,467	1,067
	—	280	1,030	6,123	2,329	2,571
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	297	230	1,599	10,468	4,273	2,137
Lending Department	266	250	539	837	1,462	730
	—	480	2,138	11,305	5,735	2,867
SUMMARY :—						
Reference Libraries	—	623	3,677	20,640	6,845	6,685
Lending Libraries	—	1,037	2,740	3,796	5,422	3,241
Totals	—	1,660	6,417	24,436	12,267	9,926
Percentage in each class... ...	—	·34	1·33	5·05	2·54	2·05

ISSUES (EXCLUDING SUNDAYS).

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
4,663	7,563	9,410	—	6,713	—	38,531	126
3,719	8,167	11,854	65,599	1,512	21,665	118,396	436
8,382	15,730	21,264	65,599	8,225	21,665	156,927	562
830	1,844	2,761	—	3,879	—	11,137	37
949	2,325	3,670	24,723	1,019	5,667	40,316	148
1,779	4,169	6,431	24,723	4,898	5,667	51,453	185
766	2,173	13,203	—	12,049	—	35,949	118
1,547	3,693	7,068	47,033	3,374	9,593	76,883	283
2,313	5,866	20,271	47,033	15,423	9,593	112,832	401
5,612	5,987	27,105	—	36,309	—	93,720	316
1,097	1,328	6,591	47,855	1,714	6,410	68,813	259
6,709	7,315	33,696	47,855	38,023	6,410	162,533	575
11,871	17,567	52,479	—	58,950	—	179,337	—
7,312	15,513	29,183	185,210	7,619	43,335	304,408	—
19,183	33,080	81,662	185,210	66,569	43,335	483,745	—
3.96	6·84	16·88	38·29	13·76	8·96	100·00	—

ISSUES OF BOOKS ON SUNDAYS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARIES.

(6 Months—October to March, between 6 and 9.30 each Sunday evening.)

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Totals.	Average per Sunday, 1907-8.	*Average per Sunday, 1906-7.*
Buckingham Palace Road Library	26	12	17	63	35	67	85	216	156	75	726	28	*27*
St. Martin's Lane Library	26	4	6	99	62	31	75	50	208	186	721	28	*40*
Totals	—	16	23	162	97	98	160	266	364	261	1,447	—	—

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES.

Month	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Totals.	Daily Average.	
No. of Sundays Open ...	4	4	5	4	4	5	26	1907–8	*1906–7.*
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD:—									
Reference Library	63	60	69	44	66	67	369	14	*15*
Magazine Room	171	169	221	164	215	240	1,180	45	*52*
Reading Room	484	581	730	533	686	891	3,905	150	*160*
Whole Building	577	675	832	614	817	998	4,513	174	*190*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	144	169	166	153	204	200	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1905–6 ...	*179*	*183*	*158*	*200*	*208*	*217*	—	—	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE:—									
Reference Library	111	104	94	74	96	122	601	23	*37*
Magazine Room	411	416	594	371	456	523	2,771	107	*136*
Reading Room	655	826	1,059	800	942	1,129	5,411	208	*270*
Whole Building	941	1,225	1,653	1,161	1,384	1,545	7,909	304	*363*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	235	306	331	290	346	309	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1905–6 ...	*300*	*375*	*336*	*407*	*372*	*396*	—	—	—
Total Attendances (2 Libraries) ...	1,518	1,900	2,485	1,775	2,201	2,543 (5 Sundays.)	12,422	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1905–6 ...	*1,918*	*2,231*	*2,471*	*2,429*	*2,319*	*2,451* (4 Sundays.)	*13,819*	—	—

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1907)	5,443	1,956	3,187	3,252	13,838
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	3,007	1,110	1,828	1,544	7,489
	2,436	846	1,359	1,708	6,349
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to 6,120 Borrowers, of whom 1,767 hold an extra Student's Ticket	3,217	1,014	1,862	1,794	7,887
	5,653	1,860	3,221	3,502	14,236

Analysis.

Adult Borrowers	4,128	1,390	2,404	2,611	10,533
Juvenile Borrowers	345	127	172	5	649
Total Borrowers	4,473	1,517	2,576	2,616	11,182
Students' Tickets	1,180	343	645	886	3,054
	5,653	1,860	3,221	3,502	14,236

Particulars as to New Borrowers Enrolled during the Year 1907–1908.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—													
Conduit Ward	1	7	3	22	81	48	—	—	—	—	4	5	171
Grosvenor Ward	—	—	—	78	393	72	—	—	—	—	—	2	545
Knightsbridge Ward	50	298	3	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	369
Victoria Ward	278	1,508	19	3	6	—	3	77	—	1	6	—	1,901
St. Margaret and St. John :—													
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	8	26	1	6	18	1	—	3	—	—	3	—	66
St. John Ward	14	105	2	—	—	1	128	664	63	—	5	—	982
St. Margaret Ward	32	82	25	—	4	2	40	140	339	—	8	72	744
St. Martin and St. Paul :—													
Charing Cross Ward	—	1	9	—	—	2	1	4	25	22	75	251	390
Covent Garden Ward	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	45	114	173	336
St. James :—													
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	—	—	4	14	4	—	1	—	3	29	12	67
Pall Mall Ward	1	7	—	2	6	3	—	2	3	2	29	33	88
Regent Ward	—	—	1	10	17	11	—	—	—	17	70	21	147
Other Strand Parishes :—													
St. Anne Ward	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	84	52	162
Strand Ward	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	13	8	16	114	152
	384	2,034	64	128	546	146	172	891	445	124	451	735	6,120

Summary :—Ratepayers, 808 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,922 ; Non-Resident Employés, 1,390* ; Total, 6,120.

* Of the 1,390 Non-Resident Borrowers 483 are Civil Servants.

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1907-1908.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	225	70	97	5	397
13 to 16	316	75	163	119	673
16 to 18	129	38	109	122	398
18 to 21	186	55	176	194	611
Above 21	1,626	582	963	870	4,041
Totals	2,482	820	1,508	1,310	6,120
Sexes.					
Males :—					
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Machinery Market. *W.* (gift)	C
Madame. *W.*	D
Magazine of Commerce. *M.*	A D
Manchester Guardian. D.	A C
Manual Training Teacher. M. (gift)	A C
Marylebone Mercury. *W.*	B
Medical Times and Hospital Gazette. *W.* (gift)	D
Methodist Recorder. *W.* (gift to A)	A B C
Methodist Times. *W.* (gift to A)	A B
Middlesex County Times. *W.* (gift)	A B C
Mining Journal. *W.* ...	D
Montreal Gazette. *D.* (exchange)...	C
Morley College Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A C D
Morning Advertiser. *D.*...	C D
Morning Leader. *D.* ...	A B C D
Morning Post. *D.* ...	A B C D
Motor. *W.* (gift) ...	A
Motor Boat. *W.* (gift) ...	A
Motor Traction. *W.* (gift)	A C D
Municipal Gazette and London Argus. *W.* (gift to A B C)... ...	A B C D
Municipal Journal and London. *W.*	A B C D
Museums Journal. *M.*...	D
Musical Herald. *M.* (gift)	A B C
Musical Standard. *W.*...	A
Musical Times. *M.* ...	A B C D
Musicians, Journal of Incorporated Society of. *M.* (gift)	C
Nation. *W.*	A C D
Nation in Arms. *W.* (gift)	A
National Deposit Friendly Society's Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A
National Home Reading Union's Magazines. *M.*	A B C D
National Review. *M.* ...	A C D
National Zeitung. *D.* ...	D
Nature. *W.*	A B D
Nature Notes. *M.* (gift to C)	A C
Navy League Journal. *M.* (gift to A C) ...	A C D
Navy List. *M.*	D
Navy List. *Q.*	A B C
New Church Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A C
Newsagents' and Booksellers' Review. *W.* ...	D
Nineteenth Century and After. *M.*	A B C D
North American Review. *M.*	D
Notes and Queries. *W.*...	A C D
Observer. *W.* (October to March only)	A D
Oddfellows' Magazine. *M.* (gift)	C D
Organist and Choirmaster. *M.*	D
Our Own Gazette (Y.W.C.A.) (gift) ...	C D
Outlook. *W.*	A D
Pall Mall Gazette. *D.* ...	A B C D
Pall Mall Magazine. *M.*	A B C
Parents' Review. *M.* (gift)	A C
Patents : Illustrated Official Journal. *W.* (gift)	C
Pearson's Magazine. *M.*	A B C D
People. *W.* (October to March only)	D
Philanthropist. *M.* (gift)	A C
Photographic Monthly. *M.*	C D
Photography. *W.* ...	C
Pitman's Journal. *W.* (gift to A B)	A B C D
Policy. *W.* (gift) ...	A
Poor Law Officer's Journal. *W.* (gift)	A C D
Post Office Guide. *Q.* ...	A B C D
Public Opinion. *W.* ...	A C D
Publishers' Circular. *W.*	A D
Punch. *W.*	A B C D
Quarterly Review. *Q.* ...	A B C D
Queen. *W.*	A B C D
Quiver. *M.*	A B C D
Railway Gazette. *W.* (gift)	C
Railway News. *W.* ...	A
Record. *W.*	A B C
Review of Reviews. *M.*	A B C D
Revue de Paris. *F.* ...	D
Revue des deux Mondes. *F.*	A D

Royal Meteorological Society Journal. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Royal Microscopical Society Journal. 6 *times a year.* (gift)			C	
Royal Oak Magazine. *Q.* (gift)	A			D
Rural World. *M.* (gift)				D
St. James's Budget. *W.*				D
St. Matthew's Parish Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
St. Nicholas Magazine. *M.*			C	
Sales and Wants Advertiser. *M.*			C	
Saturday Review. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
School Government Chronicle. *W.* ...			C	
Schoolmaster. *W.* ...	A			D
Schoolmistress. *W.* ...	A			
Scientific Monthly. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
Scotsman. *D.*	A			D
Scribner's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Script Phonographic Journal. *M.* (gift)... ...				D
Seamen, Registrar-General's return of deaths of. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Shipping Gazette. *D.* ...				D
Shipping Gazette. *W.* ...			C	
Shop Assistant. *W.* (gift)			C	
Shorthand Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Sketch. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Society of Arts Journal. *W.*				D
Son of Temperance. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
South Africa. *W.* ...			C	
South London Press. *W.*				D
Spectator. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Sphere. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Stage. *W.*				D
Standard. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Star. *D.*	A		C	D
State Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Statist. *W.*			C	
Strand Magazine. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Studio. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Sunday at Home. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Sunday Sun. *W.* (October to March only) ...				D
Sunday Times. *W.* (October to March only) ...	A			D
Sword and Trowel. *M.*...			C	
System. *M.*	A			
Table. *W.*	A			
Tablet. *W.*	A	B		D
Tasmanian Mail. *W.* (gift)			C	
Tatler. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Temperance Chronicle. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
Temperance Record. *M.* (gift)	A			
Territorial Service Gazette. *W.*			C	
Textile Recorder. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Timber. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
Times. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Toronto Daily Mail and Empire. *D.* (exchange)	A			
Toronto News. *D.* (exchange)				D
Trades and Labour Gazette. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Tramway and Railway World. *M.* (gift) ...			C	D
Traveller's Gazette. *M.* (gift)			C	
Treasury. *M.*		B	C	D
Truth. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Unity. *M.*				D
University Correspondent. *F.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
Vanity Fair. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Vegetarian Messenger. *M.* (gift)			C	
Vulcan. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Westermanns Deutsche Monatshefte. *M.* ...	A			
Western Daily Mercury. *D.*			C	
Westminster and Pimlico News. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Express. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Gazette. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Mail. *W.*...	A	B	C	D
Westminster Review. *M.*	A			D
Wheatsheaf. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Windsor Magazine. *M.*...	A	B	C	D
Women's Industrial News. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Woodworker and Art Metal Worker. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Work. *W.*			C	D
Work. *M.*	A	B		
World. *W.*	A	B	C	D
World's Work and Play. *M.*	A			D

Yorkshire Post. *D.* ...	A		C	
Young England. *M.* ...	A			
Zoophilist. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D

Railway Time Tables (supplied by the respective companies)—

Belgian State Railways	A	B	C	D
Caledonian	A		C	D
District	A	B		D
Glasgow & South Western	A		C	D
Great Central	A	B	C	D
Great Eastern	A	B	C	D
Great Northern ...	A	B	C	D
Great Western	A	B	C	D
Jura-Simplon				D
Lancashire & Yorkshire				D

Railway Time Tables—*continued.*

London & North-Western	A	B	C	D
London & South-Western	A	B	C	D
London, Brighton & South Coast... ...	A	B	C	D
London County Council List of Workmen's Trains and Trams ...	A	B	C	D
London, Tilbury & Southend				D
Metropolitan	A	B		D
Midland	A	B	C	D
North British	A	B	C	D
North Eastern... ...	A	B		
South Eastern & Chatham	A	B	C	D
Zeeland Steamship Co.	A			

STATEMENT OF

EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

AND

PARTICULARS OF LOANS

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1908.

EXPENDITURE.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Library	St. Martin's Lane Library.	General	Total Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fittings and Repairs... ...	282 1 8	35 5 7	151 16 11	5 16 4	214 3 8	—	689 4 2
Books	—	—	—	—	—	989 1 11	989 1 11
Bookbinding	104 7 5	44 6 5	109 9 1	—	152 18 3	—	411 1 2
Printing of Catalogues ..	—	—	—	—	—	24 15 8	24 15 8
Newspapers and Periodicals...	139 4 10	72 0 1	117 13 10	31 15 11	146 9 1	—	507 3 9
Salaries and Wages	1,231 10 2	577 14 1	793 19 10	137 1 0	929 17 3	552 10 7	4,222 12 11
Printing and Stationery ...	82 0 10	24 15 0	20 2 3	—	82 17 4	80 9 0	290 4 5
Fuel, Light and Water ...	248 2 7	136 19 3	218 18 6	14 3 5	227 9 11	—	845 13 8
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurance	181 18 10	201 6 3	162 4 3	98 0 4	164 16 9	—	808 6 5
Cleaning Materials	38 7 0	15 10 6	36 9 5	1 8 9	27 10 7	—	119 6 3
Postage and Office Expenses	12 15 3	1 1 9	4 1 3	—	3 15 2	6 3 7	27 17 0
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	—	222 2 5	222 2 5
Miscellaneous...	11 10 7	10 13 3	14 5 0	5 4 2	15 18 3	13 15 0	71 6 3
	2,331 19 2	1,119 12 2	1,629 0 4	293 9 11	1,965 16 3	1,888 18 2	9,228 16 0
Mortgage Loan Charges ...	789 19 4	325 5 4	351 5 0	—	763 9 0	—	2,229 18 8
£	3,121 18 6	1,444 17 6	1,980 5 4	293 9 11	2,729 5 3	1,888 18 2	11,458 14 8

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1908.

INCOME.

	£ s. d.	Buckingham Palace Road Library. £ s. d.	South Audley Street Library. £ s. d.	Great Smith Street Library. £ s. d.	Trevor Square Library. £ s. d.	St. Martin's Lane Library. £ s. d.	Totals. £ s. d.	Totals. £ s. d.
Fines...		65 5 2	27 14 1	49 3 9	3 9 6	39 3 6	184 16 0	
Catalogues		8 10 9	2 14 9	8 15 0	0 1 6	—	20 2 0	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	22 0 0	—	122 0 0	
Interest on Investment		81 2 8	—	—	—	—	81 2 8	
Donations and Miscellaneous ...		37 8 9	6 11 5	9 14 8	0 5 6	17 11 2	71 11 6	
		292 7 4	37 0 3	67 13 5	25 16 6	56 14 8	479 12 2	479 12 2
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—								
St. George, Hanover Square	4,174 5 0							
St. Margaret and St. John ...	2,178 0 0							
St. Peter (Collegiate Close) ...	7 17 6							
St. James	1,910 0 0							
St. Anne, Soho	395 0 0							
St. Martin-in-the-Fields ...	1,322 0 0							
St. Clement Danes	491 0 0							
St. Mary-le-Strand	100 0 0							
St. Paul, Covent Garden ...	242 0 0							
Liberty of the Rolls	104 0 0							
Precinct of the Savoy... ...	55 0 0							10,979 2 6
							£	11,458 14 8

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1908.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Interest.
	£			Y'rs		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	9,615 4 0	457 8 0	332 11 4	9,157 16 0	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	2,757 6 10	120 19 3	95 17 7	2,636 7 7	3½
Ditto	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	1,378 13 11	60 9 8	47 18 10	1,318 4 3	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN:—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	3,495 0 0	233 0 0	118 5 0	3,262 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS:—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	6,568 10 7	111 0 11	228 18 9	6,457 9 8	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	3,808 0 11	247 12 3	131 2 9	3,560 8 8	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	460 14 2	28 11 10	16 2 6	432 2 4	3½
	£ 43,390				£	28,083 10 5	1,259 1 11	970 16 9	26,824 8 6	

LISTER WOODHOUSE, *City Comptroller.*

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

REPORT

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City of Westminster.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1908, to 31st March, 1909.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—In the year under review, 3,326 volumes were added to the libraries—3,093 by purchase and 233 received as gifts. Withdrawals of obsolete and worn-out books accounted for 234 volumes. The number of volumes at 31st March last, exclusive of the duplicates and other works reserved for replacing purposes, was 113,957, distributed between the four separate libraries as follows :—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	13,102	22,501	35,603
South Audley Street Library	1,763	13,196	14,959
Great Smith Street Library	6,746	20,635	27,381
St. Martin's Lane Library	21,838	14,176	36,014
TOTALS	43,449	70,508	113,957

RENEWALS.—In addition to the acquirement of new books it has been necessary to replace 1,117 works by fresh copies—930 by purchase and 187 from the stock of duplicates in hand.

ISSUES OF BOOKS.—In the reference departments 177,222 volumes have been consulted, a daily average of 585. From the lending departments 297,387 volumes were circulated, giving a daily average of 1,124. The combined issue of 474,609 volumes is a decrease of 10,583 upon the previous year's figures, practically all accounted for by the libraries having been closed on a larger number of days for necessary repairs and decoration.

NUMBER OF BORROWERS.—Tickets have been granted to 6,037 new borrowers. The total number on the register is 11,486, who hold 14,854 tickets, 3,368 being second or "students'" tickets, not available for fiction. The issue of novels stands at the comparatively low percentage of 38 to the whole of the books read.

LOSSES.—It is gratifying again to be able to draw attention to the remarkably small loss by default of borrowers; four books (valued at 18*s.*) being the total in a circulation of nearly 300,000 volumes.

CATALOGUES.—A new Catalogue of the lending department of the South Audley Street Library, which contains 13,000 volumes, has been printed, and two supplements have been issued, comprising 3,150 volumes, at Buckingham Palace Road Library, and 2,500 at Great Smith Street Library. The Card Catalogues of the reference libraries are kept written up-to-date. Illness on the staff has delayed progress in the re-cataloguing of the lending library, St. Martin's Lane, but the Librarian hopes to complete and print a full catalogue in the current year.

TOTAL ATTENDANCES.—Calculations based upon regular periodical counts give an annual attendance of

readers estimated at 2,797,000, an average of just over 10,000 persons daily.

SUNDAY OPENING.—The statistics so far summarized include the attendances and reading of books on Sundays. The opening of the Buckingham Palace Road and St. Martin's Lane Libraries on Sunday evenings, during the six winter months, has been so well appreciated that the Council, on the recommendation of the Committee, have resolved to continue such opening. At Buckingham Palace Road, 745 volumes were issued in the reference library on the 25 Sunday evenings, while at St. Martin's Lane the issue was 823. The whole attendance (two libraries) included 13,403 persons for 25 Sundays, as against 12,422 for 26 Sundays in the previous year. The officers report the class of readers and reading as being very good.

ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY—IMPROVEMENTS.—In February last a report was laid before the Council upon the overcrowded and uncomfortable state of the reading rooms at the St. Martin's Library, and our proposals for improvement were approved.

The changes made included a weeding-out of the less important and little used periodicals; the transfer to the reference library of the higher class monthly reviews; the removal of directories and annuals to a more convenient position, and a much needed re-arrangement and extension of the lending library. The bettered conditions resulting from these changes are evident, and have called forth expressions of approval on the part of the public using the library.

GIFTS.—A list of donors to the libraries is included in this report, and to each one the thanks of the Committee have been conveyed.

FINANCIAL.—The statements of expenditure and income, with particulars of outstanding loans, as prepared by the City Comptroller, are herewith submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,

HUBERT J. GREENWOOD,
Chairman.

FRANK PACY,
Chief Librarian.

July, 1909.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1908	12,644	21,687	1,750	12,808	6,675	20,253	21,519	13,529	110,865
Since withdrawn	11	6	3	1	9	151	51	2	234
Do. transferred	9	2	—	—	—	7	—	—	18
	12,624	21,679	1,747	12,807	6,666	20,095	21,468	13,527	110,613
Added, 1908-1909	477	818	13	386	73	540	370	649	3,326
Do. do. by transfer	1	4	3	3	7	—	—	—	18
Total at 31st March, 1909	13,102	22,501	1,763	13,196	6,746	20,635	21,838	14,176	113,957
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	35,603		14,959		27,381		36,014		

Combined Totals	Reference Libraries	43,449
	Lending Libraries	70,508
	Total Volumes ...	113,957

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ..	70	658	1,883	715	334	1,456	1,643	4,213	—	2,130	—	13,102	35,603
Lending Department ...	192	1,050	796	923	322	1,145	3,302	5,849	5,822	741	2,359	22,501	
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	12	84	164	70	57	161	368	547	—	300	—	1,763	14,959
Lending Department ...	99	472	376	556	180	586	1,684	3,467	3,927	533	1,316	13,196	
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	12	176	459	166	1,730	234	2,097	1,753	—	119	—	6,746	27,381
Lending Department ...	187	1,188	875	1,053	556	573	2,854	6,256	4,337	1,629	1,127	20,635	
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	90	1,023	2,929	1,082	534	1,278	1,840	5,730	—	7,332	—	21,838	36,014
Lending Department ...	144	532	673	737	281	715	1,947	3,678	4,208	14	1,247	14,176	
SUMMARY:—													
Reference Libraries ...	184	1,941	5,435	2,033	2,655	3,129	5,948	12,243	—	9,881	—	43,449	113,957
Lending Libraries	622	3,242	2,720	3,269	1,339	3,019	9,787	19,250	18,294	2,917	6,049	70,508	
Totals	806	5,183	8,155	5,302	3,994	6,148	15,735	31,493	18,294	12,798	6,049	113,957	

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 31st, 1909.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	36,522	114,869	151,391
South Audley Street Library	12,032	38,465	50,497
Great Smith Street Library	35,064	77,752	112,816
St. Martin's Lane Library	93,604	66,301	159,905
Totals	177,222	297,387	474,609

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on next pages.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	666,957
South Audley Street...	455,473
Great Smith Street	541,020
St. Martin's Lane	1,133,566
Total	2,797,016

CLASSIFICATION OF THE

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	295	221	1,365	3,991	1,142	1,949
Lending Department	268	416	1,271	1,339	1,791	1,117
	—	637	2,636	5,330	2,933	3,066
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	303	69	167	625	329	755
Lending Department	267½	154	327	481	667	369
	—	223	494	1,106	996	1,124
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	302	77	433	4,563	860	1,392
Lending Department	267½	263	862	1,292	1,480	1,292
	—	340	1,295	5,855	2,340	2,684
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	301	655	1,008	10,167	3,739	2,996
Lending Department	255	268	397	931	1,123	578
	—	923	1,405	11,098	4,862	3,574
SUMMARY:—						
Reference Libraries	—	1,022	2,973	19,346	6,070	7,092
Lending Libraries	—	1,101	2,857	4,043	5,061	3,356
Totals	—	2,123	5,830	23,389	11,131	10,448
Percentage in each class... ...	—	·45	1·23	4·94	2·35	2·21

ISSUES (EXCLUDING SUNDAYS).

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
3,529	7,778	8,767	—	7,035	—	35,777	121
4,315	8,484	13,065	63,946	1,312	17,813	114,869	429
7,844	16,262	21,832	63,946	8,347	17,813	150,646	550
891	1,504	2,850	—	4,842	—	12,032	40
1,113	2,216	3,858	23,239	890	5,151	38,465	144
2,004	3,720	6,708	23,239	5,732	5,151	50,497	184
924	2,399	12,496	—	11,920	—	35,064	116
1,422	4,040	7,143	46,823	3,813	9,322	77,752	291
2,346	6,439	19,639	46,823	15,733	9,322	112,816	407
5,902	6,614	28,918	—	32,782	—	92,781	308
1,556	3,038	5,746	47,208	8	5,448	66,301	260
7,458	9,652	34,664	47,208	32,790	5,448	159,082	568
11,246	18,295	53,031	—	56,579	—	175,654	—
8,406	17,778	29,812	181,216	6,023	37,734	297,387	—
19,652	36,073	82,843	181,216	62,602	37,734	473,041	—
4·16	7·63	17·51	38·31	13·23	7·98	100·00	—

ISSUES OF BOOKS ON SUNDAYS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARIES.

(6 Months—October to March, between 6 and 9.30 each Sunday evening.)

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Totals.	Average per Sunday, 1908-9.	*Average per Sunday, 1907-8.*
Buckingham Palace Road Library	25	9	7	81	27	34	99	254	150	84	745	30	*28*
St. Martin's Lane Library	25	20	35	119	39	31	59	65	244	211	823	33	*28*
Totals	—	29	42	200	66	65	158	319	394	295	1,568	—	—

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES.

Month	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Totals.	Daily Average.	
No. of Sundays Open ...	4	5	3	5	4	4	25	1908–9	*1907–8.*
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD:—									
Reference Library	63	87	56	88	69	56	419	17	*14*
Magazine Room	163	312	190	282	235	207	1,389	56	*45*
Reading Room	578	932	546	871	665	686	4,278	171	*150*
Whole Building	694	1,090	647	1,021	806	805	5,063	203	*174*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	173	218	216	204	201	201	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1907–8 ...	*144*	*169*	*166*	*153*	*204*	*200*	—	—	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE:—									
Reference Library	86	161	119	93	90	131	680	27	*23*
Magazine Room	381	659	364	684	534	95*	2,717	123	*107*
Reading Room	758	1,328	763	1,350	1,030	1,069	6,298	252	*208*
Whole Building	1,092	1,839	1,114	1,751	1,346	1,198	8,340	334	*304*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	273	368	371	350	336	299	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1907–8 ...	*235*	*306*	*331*	*290*	*346*	*309*	—	—	—
Total Attendances (2 Libraries) ...	1,786	2,929	1,761	2,772	2,152	2,003	13,403 (25 Sundays.)	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1907–8 ...	*1,518*	*1,900*	*2,485*	*1,775*	*2,201*	*2,543*	*12,422* (26 Sundays.)	—	—

* Open 1 Sunday only in March.

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1908)	5,653	1,860	3,221	3,502	14,236
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	3,024	982	1,549	1,770	7,325
	2,629	878	1,672	1,732	6,911
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to **6,037** Borrowers, of whom 1,906 hold an extra Student's Ticket	2,957	1,073	1,931	1,982	7,943
	5,586	1,951	3,603	3,714	14,854

Analysis.

Adult Borrowers	4,008	1,429	2,734	2,619	10,790
Juvenile Borrowers (under 13 years of age)	335	126	200	35	696
Total Borrowers	4,343	1,555	2,934	2,654	11,486
Students' Tickets	1,243	396	669	1,060	3,368
	5,586	1,951	3,603	3,714	14,854

Particulars as to New Borrowers Enrolled during the Year 1908–1909.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—													
Conduit Ward	—	4	5	18	69	60	—	—	—	2	2	2	162
Grosvenor Ward	—	—	—	74	382	80	1	—	—	—	1	1	539
Knightsbridge Ward	53	234	—	—	3	3	1	1	1	—	—	—	296
Victoria Ward	285	1,375	26	1	1	1	8	74	—	—	9	1	1,781
St. Margaret and St. John :—													
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	—	1	9	3	3	2	—	1	—	1	2	—	22
St. John Ward	8	120	1	—	3	—	166	645	90	—	6	1	1,040
St. Margaret Ward	9	58	52	—	1	1	26	164	372	1	4	63	751
St. Martin and St. Paul :—													
Charing Cross Ward	1	—	10	—	1	6	1	6	19	26	67	266	403
Covent Garden Ward	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	42	141	147	330
St. James :—													
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	—	—	3	20	12	—	—	—	4	40	14	93
Pall Mall Ward	—	4	4	5	12	8	—	4	—	3	30	50	120
Regent Ward	1	2	1	1	16	35	—	—	—	13	68	42	179
Other Strand Parishes :—													
St. Anne Ward	—	—	—	3	3	—	—	2	—	22	104	44	178
Strand Ward	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	5	8	19	108	143
	357	1,798	109	108	514	209	203	898	487	122	493	739	6,037

Summary :—Ratepayers, 790 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,703 ; Non-Resident Employés, 1,544* ; Total, 6,037.

* Of the 1,544 Non-Resident Borrowers 663 are Civil Servants.

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1908-1909.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	178	82	118	35	413
13 to 16	297	71	153	98	619
16 to 18	127	51	112	122	412
18 to 21	183	65	179	145	572
Above 21	1,479	562	1,026	954	4,021
Totals	2,264	831	1,588	1,354	6,037
Sexes.					
Males :—					
Adults	1,030	376	970	927	3,303
Juveniles	93	47	73	14	227
Totals	1,123	423	1,043	941	3,530
Females :—					
Adults	1,056	373	500	392	2,321
Juveniles	85	35	45	21	186
Totals	1,141	408	545	413	2,507

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Cassell's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Catholic Fireside. *M.* (gift)	A			
Catholic Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Century Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chambers' Journal. *M.*	A	B	C	
Charity Record. *F.* ...			C	
Chelsea Mail and West Middlesex Advertiser. *W.*	A			
Chemical News. *W.* ...			C	D
Christian Commonwealth. *W.*			C	
Christian Globe. *W.* (gift)	A			
Christian World. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Chronique, La. *W.* ...	A			
Church Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Church Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
City Press. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Civil Service Candidate. *W.* (gift)	A		C	
Civil Service Competitor. *W.* (gift)	A		C	
Civil Service Gazette. *W.* (gift)	A	B		
Civil Service Hints. *W.* (gift)			C	
Civil Service Weekly. *W.* (gift)	A		C	
Civilian. *W.* (gift) ...	A			D
Clerk of Works Association, Journal of the. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Coach Builders' Art Journal. *M.*				D
Commercial Motor. *W.* (gift)	A			
Concord. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Connoisseur. *M.* ...	A	B		D
Contemporary Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Contract Journal. *W.* ...			C	D
Contractor's Chronicle. *W.* (gift)			C	
Co-operative News. *W.*	A			D
Cornhill Magazine. *M.*...	A	B	C	
Country Life. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Crown. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Cycling. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Daily Chronicle. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Express. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Graphic. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Mail. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Mirror. *D.* ...	A	B		
Daily News. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Telegraph. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Dalton's Advertiser. *W.*				D
Decorator. *M.*	A			D
Deutsche Rundschau. *M.*	A			
Draper's Record. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Economic Review. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Economist. *W.*	A			D
Edinburgh Review. *Q.*...	A	B	C	D
Education, Journal of. *M.*	A			
Educational Times. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Electrical Engineering. *W.* (gift)...			C	
Electrical Review. *W.*...	A		C	D
Electrical Times and Lighting. *W.*... ...			C	
Electrician. *W.*... ...	A	B	C	D
Empire Review. *M.* ...	A			
Engineer. *W.* (gift to D)	A		C	D
Engineering. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Engineering Times. *W.*	A			
English Historical Review. *Q.*				D
English Illustrated Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
English Mechanic. *W.*...	A	B	C	D
English Review. *M.* ...	A			
Englishwoman's Review. *Q.* (gift)			C	D
Epicure. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	
Era. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Essex Review. *Q.* ...				D
Evening News. *D.* ...	A		C	D
Evening Standard and St. James's Gazette. *D.*...	A	B	C	D
Exchange and Mart. *Tri-weekly.*			C	
Expositor. *M.*				D
Fancy Needlework. *Q.* (gift)	A			

Field. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Figaro, Le. *D.*				D
Financial News. *D.* ...		B	C	
Financial Times. *D.* ...	A			
Food and Cookery. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Fortnightly Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Free Russia. *Q.* (gift) ...			C	
Free Sunday Advocate. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Freeman's Journal. *D.*				D
Freemason. *W.* ...			C	
Garden City. *M.* (gift)...	A			
Gardeners' Chronicle. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		D
Gas Journal. *W.* ...			C	
Gas World. *W.*... ...			C	
Gentlewoman. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Geographical Journal. *M.*	A			
Girl's Own Paper. *M.* ...	A		C	
Glasgow Herald. *D.* ...				D
Globe. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Graphic. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Great Western Railway Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Grocer's Assistant. *M.* (gift)	A			
Guardian. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Harper's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Hearth and Home. *W.*...	A			
Herald of Health. *M.* (gift)	A			
Hibbert Journal. *Q.* ...	A			
Home Counties Magazine. *Q.*	A			
Hospital. *W.*	A			
House Property and Land Advertiser. *W.* (gift)...	A	B	C	
Humanitarian. *M.* (gift)	A			
Idler. *M.*	A			
Illustrated Carpenter and Builder. *W.*				D
Illustrated London News. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Incorporated Accountants' Journal. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Indian Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A			
Insurance Agent and Review. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Insurance Record. *W.* (gift)				D
Investors' Monthly Manual. *M.*			C	
Irish Times. *D.*... ...				D
Journal des Débats. *D.*...	A			
Knowledge. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Kölnische Zeitung. *W.*...	A			
Labour News and Employment Advertiser. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Ladies' Field. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Lady. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Lady's Pictorial. *W.* (gift to A B)	A	B	C	D
Lady's Realm. *M.* ...	A		C	
Lancet. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Land Values. *M.* ...				D
Law Journal. *W.* ...				D
Law Times and Reports. *W.*				D
Liberty Review. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Library. *Q.*	A			
Library Assistant. *M.* ...	A			
Library Association Record. *M.*	A			D
Library World. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Licensing World. *W.* (gift)			C	
Literary World. *M.* ...	A			D
Little Folks. *M.* ...			C	
Liverpool Courier. *D.* ...	A		C	
Local Government Chronicle. *W.* (gift) ...		B	C	D
Local Government Journal. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Local Government Officer. *W.* (gift)	A		C	
London County Council Gazette. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
London Crusader. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
London Gazette. *Bi-weekly.*				D
London Temperance Times. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	
Machinery Market. *W.* (gift)			C	
Madame. *W.*				D
Magazine of Commerce. *M.*	A			D
Manchester Guardian. *D.*	A		C	
Manual Training Teacher. M. (gift)	A		C	
Marylebone Mercury. *W.*		B		
Methodist Recorder. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B	C	
Methodist Times. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		
Middlesex County Times. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Mission Field. *M.* (gift)			C	

Montreal Gazette. *D.* (exchange)...			C	
Morley College Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Morning Advertiser. *D.*...			C	
Morning Leader. *D.* ...	A	B	C	
Morning Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Motor. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Boat. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Traction. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Municipal Gazette and London Argus. *W.* (gift to A B C)... ...	A	B	C	D
Municipal Journal and London. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Musical Herald. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Musical Standard. *W.*...	A			
Musical Times. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Musician's Report and Journal. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Nation. *W.*	A		C	
Nation in Arms. *W.* (gift)	A			
National Deposit Friendly Society's Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A			
National Home Reading Union's Magazines. *M.*	A	B	C	D
National Review. *M.* ...	A		C	D
National Temperance Quarterly. *Q.* (gift) ...	A			
National Zeitung. *D.* ...				D
Nature. *W.*	A	B		D
Navy League Journal. *M.* (gift to A C) ...	A		C	D
Navy List. *M.*				D
Navy List. *Q.*	A	B	C	
New Church Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Nineteenth Century and After. *M.*	A	B	C	D
North American Review. *M.*				D
Notes and Queries. *W.*...	A		C	D
Observer. *W.* (October to March only)	A			D
Oddfellows' Magazine. *M.* (gift)			C	
Orchestral Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Organist and Choirmaster. *M.*				D
Our Own Gazette (Y.W.C.A.) *M.* (gift)...			C	
Outlook. *W.*	A			
Pall Mall Gazette. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Pall Mall Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Parents' Review. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Patents : Illus. Official Journal. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
Pearson's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
People. *W.* (October to March only)				D
Philanthropist. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Photographic Monthly. *M.*			C	
Photography. *W.* ...			C	
Pitman's Journal. *W.* (gift to A B)	A	B	C	D
Policy. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Poor Law Officer's Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Post Office Guide. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Public Opinion. *W.* ...	A		C	
Publishers' Circular. *W.*	A			D
Punch. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quarterly Review. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Queen. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quiver. *M.*	A	B	C	
Railway and Shipping Contractor. *W.* (gift)			C	
Railway Gazette. *W.* (gift)			C	
Railway News. *W.* ...	A			
Record. *W.*	A	B	C	
Review of Reviews. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Revue des deux Mondes. *F.*	A			D
Royal Meteorological Society Journal. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Royal Microscopical Society's Journal (gift)			C	
Royal Oak Magazine. *Q.* (gift)	A			
St. Matthew's Parish Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
St. Nicholas Magazine. *M.*			C	
Sales and Wants Advertiser. *M.*			C	
Saturday Review. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
School Government Chronicle. *W.* ...			C	
Schoolmaster. *W.* ...	A			D
Schoolmistress. *W.* ...	A			
Scientific Monthly. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Scotsman. *D.*	A			D
Scribner's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Seamen, Registrar - General's return of deaths of. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Selborne Magazine. *M.* (gift to C)	A		C	

Shipping Gazette. *D.* ...	D
Shipping Gazette. *W.* ...	C
Shorthand Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A C D
Sketch. *W.*	A B C
Society of Arts Journal. *W.*	D
Son of Temperance. *M.* (gift)	A C
South Africa. *W.* ...	C
Spectator. *W.*	A B C D
Sphere. *W.*	A B
Standard. *D.*	A B C D
Standard of Empire. *W.*	A B C D
Star. *D.*	A C
State Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A B C
Statist. *W.*	C
Strand Magazine. *M.* ...	A B C
Studio. *M.*	A B C D
Sunday at Home. *M.* ...	A B C
Sunday Times. *W.* (October to March only) ...	A D
Sword and Trowel. *M.*...	C
System. *M.*	A
Table. *W.*	A
Tablet. *W.*	A B D
Tasmanian Mail. *W.* (gift)	C
Tatler. *W.*	A B C
Temperance Chronicle. *W.* (gift)	A B C D
Temperance Record. *M.* (gift)	A
Territorial Service Gazette. *W.*	C
Textile Recorder. *M.* (gift)	C D
Timber. *W.* (gift) ...	C
Times. *D.*	A B C D
Toronto Globe. *D.* (exchange)...	A
Toronto News. *D.* (exchange)	D
Trades and Labour Gazette. *M.*	A B C D
Tramway and Railway World. *M.* (gift) ...	C D
Traveller's Gazette. *M.* (gift)	C
Treasury. *M.*	B C
Truth. *W.*	A B C D
University Correspondent. *F.* (gift)	A B C
Vanity Fair. *W.* ...	A B C
Vegetarian Messenger. *M.* (gift)	C
Vulcan. *M.* (gift) ...	C
Westermanns Deutsche Monatshefte. *M.* ...	A
Western Daily Mercury. *D.*	C
Westminster and Pimlico News. *W.*	A B C D
Westminster Express. *W.*	A B C D
Westminster Gazette. *D.*	A B C D
Westminster Mail. *W.*...	A B C D
Westminster Review. *M.*	A D
Wheatsheaf. *M.* (gift) ...	A B C
Windsor Magazine. *M.*...	A B C
Women's Industrial News. *Q.*	C
Wood Carvings. *M.* (gift)	A
Woodworker. *W.* ...	A C D
Work. *W.*	C D
Work. *M.*	A B
World. *W.*	A B C D
World's Work and Play. *M.*	A B D
Yorkshire Post. *D.* ...	A C
Young England. *M.* ...	A
Zoophilist. *M.* (gift) ...	A C

Railway Time Tables (supplied by the respective companies)—

Belgian State Railways	A B C D
Caledonian	A C D
District	A B D
Glasgow & South Western	A C D
Great Central	A B C D
Great Eastern	A B C D
Great Northern ...	A B C D
Great Western	A B C D
Highland	B
Jura-Simplon	D
Lancashire & Yorkshire	D
London & North-Western	A B C D
London & South-Western	A B C D
London, Brighton & South Coast... ...	A B C D
London County Council List of Workmen's Trains and Trams ...	A B C D
London, Tilbury & Southend	D
Midland	A B C D
North British	A B C D
North Eastern... ...	A
South Eastern & Chatham	A B C D
Zeeland Steamship Co.	A

STATEMENT OF

EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

AND

PARTICULARS OF LOANS.

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1909.

EXPENDITURE.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Property.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	General.	Total Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fittings and Repairs... ...	162 2 5	44 4 3	266 9 8	48 2 8	303 16 11	—	824 15 11
Books	—	—	—	—	—	1,086 19 9	1,086 19 9
Bookbinding	125 0 5	48 16 4	70 18 4	—	89 12 3	—	334 7 4
Printing of Catalogues	—	—	—	—	—	290 2 10	290 2 10
Newspapers and Periodicals...	139 5 3	71 12 2	125 19 2	—	138 10 10	—	475 7 5
Salaries and Wages	1,277 19 11	600 0 9	826 16 9	—	999 7 3	550 0 0	4,254 4 8
Printing and Stationery ...	78 17 1	24 2 0	33 17 9	—	65 6 4	24 11 4	226 14 6
Fuel, Light and Water ...	270 9 7	132 4 10	218 15 9	—	199 14 7	—	821 4 9
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurance	180 1 8	200 4 9	160 11 11	105 9 0	158 9 1	—	804 16 5
Cleaning Materials	42 2 7	13 15 1	31 16 9	—	23 11 7	—	111 6 0
Postage and Office Expenses	14 8 10	1 14 0	3 9 3	—	3 0 8	5 19 11	28 12 8
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	—	301 13 0	301 13 0
Miscellaneous...	17 1 1	8 11 9	8 3 0	—	14 1 6	4 5 0	52 2 4
	2,307 8 10	1,145 5 11	1,746 18 4	153 11 8	1,995 11 0	2,263 11 10	9,612 7 7
Mortgage Loan Charges ...	789 19 4	325 5 4	343 1 10	—	763 9 0	—	2,221 15 6
£	3,097 8 2	1,470 11 3	2,090 0 2	153 11 8	2,759 0 0	2,263 11 10	11,834 3 1

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1909.

INCOME.

		Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Property.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fines...		57 18 10	25 0 2	45 13 9	—	39 9 2	168 1 11	
Catalogues		7 16 0	8 18 3	6 9 0	—	7 9 6	30 12 9	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	25 14 0	—	125 14 0	
Interest on Investment		81 2 8	—	—	—	—	81 2 8	
Donations and Miscellaneous ...		15 2 1	6 1 6	7 0 6	—	9 15 6	37 19 7	
		261 19 7	39 19 11	59 3 3	25 14 0	56 14 2	443 10 11	443 10 11
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—								
St. George, Hanover Square	4,327 12 2							
St. Margaret and St. John ...	2,261 0 0							
St. Peter (Collegiate Close) ...	8 0 0							
St. James	1,993 0 0							
St. Anne, Soho	412 0 0							
St. Martin-in-the-Fields ...	1,353 0 0							
St. Clement Danes	517 0 0							
St. Mary-le-Strand	104 0 0							
St. Paul, Covent Garden ...	251 0 0							
Liberty of the Rolls	107 0 0							
Precinct of the Savoy... ...	57 0 0							11,390 12 2
							£	11,834 3 1

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1909.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Intere
	£			Y'rs		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	9,157 16 0	473 11 0	316 8 4	8,684 5 0	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	2,636 7 7	125 5 1	91 11 9	2,511 2 6	3½
Ditto	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	1,318 4 3	62 12 7	45 15 11	1,255 11 8	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN :—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	3,262 0 0	233 0 0	110 1 10	3,029 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS :—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	6,457 9 8	114 19 4	225 0 4	6,342 10 4	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	3,560 8 8	256 7 0	122 8 0	3,304 1 8	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	432 2 4	29 11 10	15 2 6	402 10 6	3½
£	43,390				£	26,824 8 6	1,295 6 10	926 8 8	25,529 1 8	

LISTER WOODHOUSE, *City Comptroller.*

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

REPORT

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City of Westminster.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1909, to 31st March, 1910.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—Additions to the libraries numbered 3,058 volumes, 284 of these being gifts. After withdrawing 2,774 volumes, discarded either as obsolete or worn out and not replaced, the remaining net total at the 31st March was 114,241 volumes located at the different libraries as follows :—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	13,416	23,327	36,743
South Audley Street Library	1,805	13,714	15,519
Great Smith Street Library	6,895	20,902	27,797
St. Martin's Lane Library	19,518	14,664	34,182
TOTALS	41,634	72,607	114,241

RENEWALS.—For the replacement of worn-out copies of standard works, 1,044 volumes were purchased in addition to 207 volumes used from the stock of duplicates.

Issues of Books.—In the reference departments 187,665 volumes were consulted, giving a daily average of 658 as against 585 recorded last year. In the lending departments 305,259 books were issued, a daily average of 1,184, as against 1,124. The total issue of 492,924 volumes is an increase of 18,315 above the previous year's figure of 474,609, which showed a decrease of 10,583 upon the year before. The increase, as shown by these particulars, is proportionately greater in the reference departments.

Number of Borrowers.—New tickets have been granted to 6,381 borrowers. The number now on the registers is 11,706, holding 15,373 tickets, 3,667 being second or "students'" tickets, on which no fiction is issued.

Total Attendances.—The regular periodical counts give figures from which the total annual attendance is calculated at 2,602,000, nearly 200,000 below last year. The diminished attendance is in the newspaper reading-rooms, and principally at St. Martin's Lane Library, where the estimated total is reduced by 145,000. This reduction, although a loss in figures, is really a gain in usefulness, as it arises from re-arrangement of the accommodation and the withdrawal of light fiction magazines and pictorial matter, found to attract a by no means desirable class of readers, to the inconvenience and often to the exclusion of those who wish to make more profitable use of the news and reading-rooms. A further reason may be the improved industrial conditions, but in the presence of so many factors which affect the use of public newsrooms, no safe general conclusions are to be drawn.

Class of Reading.—There is a further drop in the reading of novels compared with other literature—the percentage having fallen in the year from 38 to 36·74 of the whole issues. Ten years ago the percentage stood at 50, so the change has been considerable in a comparatively short period. This result is, we believe, due to the adequate provision of the best modern works in biography, travel, history, and general literature, and not to any neglect in adding the higher class fiction.

Losses.—In previous reports we have only been called upon to record insignificant losses of books through default of borrowers. The record in this respect remains satisfactory; at the annual stocktakings four volumes, of the value of *7s. 7d.*, were all that could not be accounted for.

Sunday Opening.—During the winter months, the libraries at Buckingham Palace Road and St. Martin's Lane have again been opened on Sunday evenings. A return as to the attendances will be found on p. 13. The use made of the Buckingham Palace Road Library was practically the same as last year. The reason for the reduced figures in the reading rooms at St. Martin's Lane Library has been given in a preceding paragraph on total attendances. On the other hand the use of the reference department has been slightly larger.

Gifts.—A complete list of all donors is given in this report. From Lord Northcote a specially interesting donation of 221 volumes is acknowledged.

CATALOGUES.—A new complete Catalogue of the lending library at St. Martin's Lane is now in the press, and will shortly be available to borrowers. It has been decided to reduce the price of catalogues from one shilling to sixpence, the desire of the Committee being to bring them within reach of all readers.

FINANCIAL.—The usual financial statements furnished by the City Comptroller are appended to our report.

On behalf of the Committee,

R. WOOLLEY WALDEN,
Chairman.

FRANK PACY,
Librarian.

June, 1910.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1909	13,102	22,501	1,763	13,196	6,746	20,635	21,838	14,176	113,957
Since withdrawn	5	3	—	—	3	174	2,560	29	2,774
Do. transferred	10	—	—	—	—	72	16	—	98
	13,087	22,498	1,763	13,196	6,743	20,389	19,262	14,147	111,085
Added, 1909-1910	329	829	32	518	80	513	256	501	3,058
Do. do. by transfer	—	—	10	—	72	—	—	16	98
Total at 31st March, 1910	13,416	23,327	1,805	13,714	6,895	20,902	19,518	14,664	114,241
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	36,743		15,519		27,797		34,182		

Combined Totals	Reference Libraries	41,634
	Lending Libraries	72,607
	Total Volumes ...	114,241

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
Buckingham Palace Road Library:—													
Reference Department ..	73	665	1,928	751	348	1,515	1,674	4,292	—	2,170	—	13,416	36,743
Lending Department ...	198	1,072	816	960	334	1,301	3,408	6,125	5,954	750	2,409	23,327	
South Audley Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	86	167	71	60	186	368	551	—	304	—	1,805	15,519
Lending Department ...	102	487	389	587	187	660	1,727	3,638	4,033	554	1,350	13,714	
Great Smith Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	181	465	167	1,743	238	2,185	1,785	—	119	—	6,895	27,797
Lending Department ...	187	1,202	897	1,067	571	592	2,845	6,419	4,334	1,658	1,130	20,902	
St. Martin's Lane Library:—													
Reference Department ...	89	1,021	2,604	1,069	522	1,272	1,841	5,739	—	5,361	—	19,518	34,182
Lending Department ...	146	541	706	767	295	739	2,011	3,887	4,284	14	1,274	14,664	
Summary:—													
Reference Libraries ...	186	1,953	5,164	2,058	2,673	3,211	6,068	12,367	—	7,954	—	41,634	114,241
Lending Libraries	633	3,302	2,808	3,381	1,387	3,292	9,991	20,069	18,605	2,976	6,163	72,607	
Totals	819	5,255	7,972	5,439	4,060	6,503	16,059	32,436	18,605	10,930	6,163	114,241	

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 31st, 1910.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	37,646	116,472	154,118
South Audley Street Library	11,689	39,989	51,678
Great Smith Street Library	32,338	78,572	110,910
St. Martin's Lane Library	105,992	70,226	176,218
Totals	187,665	305,259	492,924

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on next pages.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	680,376
South Audley Street...	451,666
Great Smith Street	482,784
St. Martin's Lane	987,705
Total	2,602,531

CLASSIFICATION OF THE

	Number of Days open	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	288	314	1,360	3,585	1,418	1,970
Lending Department	262½	504	1,223	1,526	1,906	1,221
	—	818	2,583	5,111	3,324	3,191
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	281	65	228	638	329	782
Lending Department	255	133	443	546	687	406
	—	198	671	1,184	1,016	1,188
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	278	80	421	4,605	832	1,441
Lending Department	253	244	953	1,532	1,792	1,408
	—	324	1,374	6,137	2,624	2,849
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	282	704	1,052	11,944	4,132	3,288
Lending Department	257	330	461	1,420	1,428	797
	—	1,034	1,513	13,364	5,560	4,085
SUMMARY :—						
Reference Libraries	—	1,163	3,061	20,772	6,711	7,481
Lending Libraries	—	1,211	3,080	5,024	5,813	3,832
Totals	—	2,374	6,141	25,796	12,524	11,313
Percentage in each class... ...	—	·49	1·25	5·25	2·53	2·31

ISSUES (EXCLUDING SUNDAYS).

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
3,530	7,056	9,903	—	7,876	—	37,012	128
4,421	8,803	13,117	64,376	1,042	18,333	116,472	443
7,951	15,859	23,020	64,376	8,918	18,333	153,484	571
951	1,439	2,961	—	4,296	—	11,689	42
1,102	2,382	3,789	24,423	729	5,349	39,989	157
2,053	3,821	6,750	24,423	5,025	5,349	51,678	199
765	2,500	11,624	—	10,070	—	32,338	116
1,532	3,848	7,785	46,562	3,182	9,734	78,572	311
2,297	6,348	19,409	46,562	13,252	9,734	110,910	427
5,802	6,787	30,312	—	41,093	—	105,114	372
2,247	4,293	6,749	45,158	15	7,328	70,226	273
8,049	11,080	37,061	45,158	41,108	7,328	175,340	645
11,048	17,782	54,800	—	63,335	—	186,153	—
9,302	19,326	31,440	180,519	4,968	40,744	305,259	—
20,350	37,108	86,240	180,519	68,303	40,744	491,412	—
4·14	7·55	17·55	36·74	13·90	8·29	100·00	—

ISSUES OF BOOKS ON SUNDAYS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARIES.

(6 Months—October to March, between 6 and 9.30 each Sunday evening.)

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Totals.	Average per Sunday, 1909-10.	*Average per Sunday, 1908-9.*
Buckingham Palace Road Library	24	8	10	49	40	46	67	181	160	73	634	26	*30*
St. Martin's Lane Library	24	10	18	121	48	40	50	91	240	260	878	37	*33*
Totals	—	18	28	170	88	86	117	272	400	333	1,512	—	—

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES.

Month	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Totals.	Daily Average.	
No. of Sundays Open ...	5	4	3	5	4	3	24	1909–10	*1908–9.*
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD:—									
Reference Library	51	65	51	59	40	44	310	13	*17*
Magazine Room	220	217	157	272	242	187	1,295	54	*56*
Reading Room	731	720	484	848	692	596	4,071	170	*171*
Whole Building	868	850	584	997	858	689	4,846	202	*203*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	174	212	195	199	214	230	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1908–9 ...	*183*	*217*	*216*	*204*	*201*	*201*	—	—	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE:—									
Reference Library	160	118	97	156	113	82	726	30	*27*
Reading Room	944	874	754	1,237	967	758	5,534	231	*252*
Whole Building	1,102	1,009	856	1,447	1,113	864	6,391	266	*334*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	220	252	285	289	278	288	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1908–9 ...	*288*	*373*	*371*	*350*	*336*	*299*	—	—	—
Total Attendances (2 Libraries) ...	1,970	1,859	1,440	2,444	1,971	1,553	11,237 (24 Sundays.)	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1908–9 ...	*2,353*	*2,362*	*1,761*	*2,772*	*2,152*	*2,003*	*13,403* (25 Sundays.)	—	—

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1909)	5,586	1,951	3,603	3,714	14,854
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	3,200	1,014	1,820	1,803	7,837
	2,386	937	1,783	1,911	7,017
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to **6,381** Borrowers, of whom 1,975 hold an extra Student's Ticket	3,092	980	2,135	2,149	8,356
	5,478	1,917	3,918	4,060	15,373

Analysis.

Adult Borrowers	3,934	1,401	2,924	2,674	10,933
Juvenile Borrowers (under 13 years of age)	311	138	221	103	773
Total Borrowers	4,245	1,539	3,145	2,777	11,706
Students' Tickets	1,233	378	773	1,283	3,667
	5,478	1,917	3,918	4,060	15,373

Particulars as to New Borrowers enrolled during the Year 1909–1910.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—													
Conduit Ward	—	2	2	18	82	44	1	2	—	1	4	4	160
Grosvenor Ward	1	3	—	65	377	59	1	1	—	1	2	5	515
Knightsbridge Ward	53	237	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	298
Victoria Ward	287	1,423	40	—	11	—	14	71	—	—	3	—	1,849
St. Margaret and St. John :—													
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	8	21	1	7	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	69
St. John Ward	16	129	1	—	—	—	168	690	86	—	5	2	1,097
St. Margaret Ward	15	73	51	—	—	2	38	158	430	1	5	80	853
St. Martin and St. Paul :—													
Charing Cross Ward	—	1	9	—	1	5	1	3	18	26	58	287	409
Covent Garden Ward	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	8	1	63	118	206	400
St. James :—													
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	1	—	3	17	6	—	—	—	4	52	6	89
Pall Mall Ward	—	4	4	1	9	2	—	1	7	6	29	33	96
Regent Ward	1	1	1	11	13	25	—	2	—	15	86	48	203
Other Strand Parishes :—													
St. Anne Ward	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	26	95	38	161
Strand Ward	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	8	3	18	151	182
	381	1,896	113	105	547	146	223	936	550	148	476	860	6,381

Summary :—Ratepayers, 857 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,855 ; Non-Resident Employés, 1,669* ; Total, 6,381.

* Of the 1,669 Non-Resident Borrowers 634 are Civil Servants.

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1909-1910.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	185	83	125	68	461
13 to 16	270	81	150	138	639
16 to 18	134	43	142	130	449
18 to 21	184	60	197	211	652
Above 21	1,617	531	1,095	937	4,180
Totals	2,390	798	1,709	1,484	6,381
Sexes.					
Males :—					
Adults	1,030	354	1,062	1,036	3,482
Juveniles	100	38	74	39	251
Totals	1,130	392	1,136	1,075	3,733
Females :—					
Adults	1,175	361	522	380	2,438
Juveniles	85	45	51	29	210
Totals	1,260	406	573	409	2,648

DONATIONS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO THE FUNDS OF THE LIBRARIES:—

		£	s.	d.
Miss Jane Pike,	Annual Subscription	0	3	0
Mr. Victor Van de Weyer	do.	2	0	0
Duke of Westminster	do.	5	0	0

DONORS OF BOOKS, &c.

	Buckingham Palace Road.		South Audley Street.		Great Smith Street.		St. Martin's Lane.	
	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.
Abernethy, Mr. G. N. ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Accountants and Auditors, Society of	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Accountants, Central Association of	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Australian Commonwealth ...	8	—	—	3	1	5	4	—
Blind, Incorp. Nat. Lending Library for the	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Board of Trade, Labour Dept.	4	—	—	—	5	—	4	—
Booth, Mr. B....	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—
Borough Polytechnic Inst.	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Boston Transit Commission ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
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British Museum, Trustees of the	13	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brushfield, Dr. T. N., F.S.A. (author)	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
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Cambridge Bridge Commission, Boston, U.S.A. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Canada, Asst. Supt. of Emigration for	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Canada, Dept. of Agriculture	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canada, Dept. of Mines ...	—	—	—	—	7	4	—	—
Canada, Geological Survey ...	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—

Donors of Books, &c.—*continued.*

	Buckingham Palace Road.		South Audley Street.		Great Smith Street.		St. Martin's Lane.	
	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.
Canada, High-Commissioner for	5	—	—	—	1	—	4	—
Casson, Mr. H. W. (author)	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Chartered Accountants of Scotland	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Chatto & Windus, Messrs. (publishers)	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Cheney, Mr. George, F.S.A., Trustees of *the late* ...	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—
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Co-operative Union, Ltd. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
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Davies, Miss	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Davis, Mr. C. T.	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Eccles, Miss, "The Nineteenth Century," monthly.								
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Edwards, Mrs.	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Ellambe, Miss, the late ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Emigrants' Information Office, Quarterly Circulars.								
Engineers, Society of... ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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Forstmeyer, Miss	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
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Hearts of Oak Benefit Society Report	2	—	1	—	1	—	1	—
Hill, Mr. Julian. Minutes of Proceedings of the Institute of Civil Engineers, to Great Smith Street Library.								
Homeland Association ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hutchins, Mr. S. E. (author)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Janson, Mrs.	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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Levy, Miss	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Levy, Mr. M....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Lewin, Mr. J. (author) ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—

	Buckingham Palace Road.		South Audley Street.		Great Smith Street.		St. Martin's Lane.	
	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.

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Ashton-under-Lyne.
Aston Manor.
Baltimore (Enoch Pratt Lib.).
Bangor (Maine).
Barrow-in-Furness.
Battersea.
Belfast.
Birmingham.
Bishopsgate Foundation Institute.
Blackburn.
Bolton.
Bootle.
Bournemouth.
Bradford.
Brighton.
Bristol.
Bromley.
Brookline, Mass., U.S.A.
Bury.
Buxton.
Cambridge (Public Lib.).
Cardiff.
Charlottenberg.
Chelsea.
Cheltenham.
Chicago (John Crerar Lib.).
Chorley.
Clitheroe.
Colchester.
Cork.
Cripplegate Foundation Institute.
Croydon.
Derby.
Detroit, U.S.A.
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Hamburg.
Hammersmith.
Handsworth.
Hanley.
Havana.
Hornsey.
Hove.
Hyde.
Kensal Rise.
Kettering.
Kidderminster.
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Kingston-upon-Thames.
Leeds.
Leicester.
Leyton.
Lincoln.
Liverpool.
Los Angeles, Cal.
Loughborough.
Manchester (John Rylands Library).
Manchester (Public Libraries).
Middlesbrough.
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New Bedford, U.S.A.
New Orleans.
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New York (Public Lib.).
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Nottingham.
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Salford.
Scranton, U.S.A.
Shoreditch.
Smethwick.
South Shields.
Southwark.
Stafford.
Stoke Newington.
Sydney, N.S.W.
Toronto.
Tottenham.
Tynemouth.
Walthamstow.
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Watford.
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West Hartlepool.
Widnes.
Wigan.
Willesden (Harlesden Lib.).
Willesden Green.
Wimbledon.
Windsor (Ontario).
Wolverhampton.
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Worcester, Mass., U.S.A.
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York.

Donors of Books, &c.—*continued.*

	Buckingham Palace Road.		South Audley Street.		Great Smith Street.		St. Martin's Lane.	
	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.
London, Corporation of ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
London Chamber of Commerce	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
London College of Music ...	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
London County Council (and Copies of Minutes of Proceedings)	7	4	7	—	8	—	7	2
London County Council School of Photo-Engraving	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
London Directory Co., Ltd. (publishers)	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Marson, Mr. A.	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
Master Cotton Spinners, Inst., Federation of	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Metropolitan Asylums Board	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mocatta Library and Museums Committee	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
Musicians, Incorporated Society of	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Natham, Mr. L.	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
National Union of Teachers...	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Neale, Mr. J., Exors. of the late	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
New South Wales, Agent-General for	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Zealand, High Commissioner for	1	—	—	—	11	3	—	—
New Zealand, Registrar-General for	4	—	—	—	3	—	—	—
Northcote, Lord	221	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Payne, Mr. E.	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peace Society...	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Physicians, Royal College of	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Pitman, Sir I. & Sons (publishers) —	2	—	—	—	—	—	3	—
Prague, City of	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Royal Colonial Institute ...	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
St. Bride Foundation Institute	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Salter. Miss M. (author) ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Sawyer, Sir J., F.S.A. (author)	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1
Simpkin, Marshall & Co., Messrs. (publishers) ...	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Singer Sewing Machine Co., Ltd.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Smith, Mrs. A. Murray ...	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	—
Smithsonian Institution ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
South Australia, Agent-General for	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—

Donors of Books, &c.—*continued.*

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	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.
Stationery Office, H.M. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—
Stigand, Mr. W., F.R.G.S. (author)	2	—	2	—	—	—	2	—
To and Fro, Ltd. (publishers)	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Trades, Markets and Exhibitions, Ltd.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Twining, Messrs. R. & Co. ...	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
United Kingdom Alliance ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
U.S.A., Dept. of Commerce and Labour...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
U.S.A., Dept. of the Interior	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Universities and Colleges: Calendars and Examination Papers:—								
Durham University ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Royal University of Ireland	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Trinity College, London ...	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
University College of Wales	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
University College of North Wales	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
University Tutorial Press, General Editor of	1	—	1	—	4	—	3	—
Vincent, Lady	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Westminster Guardians (copies of Minutes of Proceedings).								
Zoological Society	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS TAKEN AT THE LIBRARIES.

A means taken at Buckingham Palace Road Library.
B ,, ,, South Audley Street Library.
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D.—Daily. *W.*—Weekly. *F.*—Fortnightly. *M.*—Monthly. *Q.*—Quarterly. *H.*—Half-yearly.

A.B.C. Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Academic Gazette. *H.* (gift)	A		C	
Academy. *W.*	A		C	D
Accountant. *W.* (gift) ...				D
Accountants' (Associated) Journal. *Q.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Agricultural Economist. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Agriculture, Journal of Board of. *M.*... ...	A			
Amateur Photographer. *W.* (gift to D)	A			D
Animals' Friend. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Anti-Slavery Reporter. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Antiquary. *M.*				D
Arbitrator. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
Architect and Contract Reporter. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Architectural and Topographical Record. *Q.*	A			
Army and Navy Gazette. *W.*	A			D
Army List. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Art Decoratif, L'. *M.* ...				D
Art Decorator. *M.* ...	A			D
Art Journal. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Aspirant (Civil Service Guide). *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	
Athenæum. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Atlantic Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Australasian World. *W.* (gift)	A	B		D
Baptist. *W.*		B		
Baptist Times. *W.* ...			C	
Bibliographical Society's News Sheets. *M.* ...				D
Birmingham Daily Post. *D.*	A			
Birmingham Gazette. *D.*			C	
Black and White. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Blackwood's Magazine. *M.*	A		C	D
Board of Trade Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Board of Trade Labour Gazette. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Book Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Bookman. *M.*	A		C	D
Books of To-day. *M.* ...	A			
Bookseller. *W.*	A			
Boy's Own Paper. *M.*...	A		C	
Bradshaw's Continental Guide	A	B	C	D
Bradshaw's Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
British Architect. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
British Australasian. *W.* (gift)				D

British Journal of Photography. *W.* (gift to D)	A	B		D
British Medical Journal. *W.*				D
British Weekly. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Broad Arrow. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Builder. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Building News. *W.* ...	A		C	D
Burlington Magazine. *M.*	A			
Bystander. *W.*	A	B		
Cabinet Maker. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Canada. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Canadian Gazette. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Canadian Life and Resources. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Canadian Magazine. *M.*	A			
Car. *W.*		B		
Cassell's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Catholic Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Century Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chambers' Journal. *M.*	A	B	C	
Charity Record. *F.* ...			C	
Chelsea Mail and West Middlesex Advertiser. *W.*	A			
Chemical News. *W.* ...			C	D
Christian Commonwealth. *W.*			C	
Christian Globe. *W.* (gift)	A			
Christian World. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Chronique, La. *W.* ...	A			
Church Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Church Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
City Press. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Civil Service Candidate. *W.* (gift)	A		C	
Civil Service Competitor. *W.* (gift)	A			
Civil Service Gazette. *W.* (gift)	A	B		
Civil Service Hints. *W.* (gift)			C	
Civilian. *W.* (gift) ...	A			D
Clark's Weekly. *W.* (gift)	A		C	
Clerk of Works Association, Journal of the. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Coach Builders' Art Journal. *M.*				D
Commercial Motor. *W.* (gift)	A			
Concord. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Connoisseur. *M.* ...	A	B		D
Contemporary Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Contract Journal. *W.* ...			C	D
Contractor's Chronicle. *W.* (gift)			C	
Co-operative News. *W.*	A			D
Cornhill Magazine. *M.*...	A	B	C	
Country Life. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Crown. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Cycling. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Daily Chronicle. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Express. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Graphic. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Mail. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Mirror. *D.* ...	A	B		
Daily News. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Telegraph. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Dalton's Advertiser. *W.*				D
Decorator. *M.*	A			D
Depositor. *M.* (gift)	A			
Deutsche Rundschau. *M.*	A			
Draper's Record. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
East India Association, Jnl. of the . *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Economic Review. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Economist. *W.*	A			D
Edinburgh Review. *Q.*...	A	B	C	D
Education, Journal of. *M.*	A			
Educational Times. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Electrical Engineering. *W.* (gift)...			C	
Electrical Review. *W.*...	A		C	D
Electrical Times and Lighting. *W.*... ...			C	
Electrician. *W.*... ...	A	B	C	D
Empire Review. *M.* ...	A			D
Engineer. *W.* (gift to D)	A		C	D
Engineering. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Engineering Times. *W.*	A			
Engineers, Jnl. of the Society of. *M.* (gift)	A			
English Historical Review. *Q.*				D
English Illustrated Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
English Mechanic. *W.*...	A	B	C	D
English Review. *M.* ...	A			
Englishwoman's Review. *Q.* (gift)			C	D
Epicure. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	
Era. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Essex Review. *Q.* ...				D
Evening News. *D.* ...	A		C	D
Evening Standard and St. James's Gazette. *D.*...	A	B	C	D
Exchange and Mart. *Tri-weekly*			C	

Expositor. *M.*				D
Fancy Needlework. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Field. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Figaro, Le, *D.*				D
Financial News. *D.* ...		B	C	
Financial Times. *D.* ...	A			
Food and Cookery. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Fortnightly Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Free Russia. *Q.* (gift) ...			C	
Free Sunday Advocate. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Freeman's Journal. *D.*				D
Freemason. *W.* ...			C	
Garden City. *M.* (gift)...	A			
Gardeners' Chronicle. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		D
Gas Journal. *W.* ...			C	
Gas World. *W.*... ...			C	
Gentlewoman. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Geographical Journal. *M.*	A			
Girl's Own Paper. *M.* ...	A		C	
Glasgow Herald. *D.* ...				D
Globe. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Graphic. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Great Western Railway Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Grocer's Assistant. *M.* (gift)	A			
Guardian. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Harper's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Hearth and Home. *W.*...	A			
Herald of Health. *M.* (gift)	A			
Hibbert Journal. *Q.* ...	A			
Home Counties Magazine. *Q.*	A			
Hospital. *W.*	A			
Humanitarian. *M.* (gift)	A			
Idler. *M.*	A			
Illustrated Carpenter and Builder. *W.*				D
Illustrated London News. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Incorporated Accountants' Journal. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Indian Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A			
Insurance Agent and Review. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Insurance Record. *W.* (gift)				D
Investors' Monthly Manual. *M.*			C	
Irish Times. *D.*... ...				D
Journal des Débats. *D.*...	A			
Knowledge. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Kölnische Zeitung. *W.*...	A			
Labour News and Employment Advertiser. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Ladies' Field. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Lady. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Lady's Pictorial. *W.* (gift to A B)	A	B	C	D
Lady's Realm. *M.* ...	A		C	
Lancet. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Law Journal. *W.* ...				D
Law Times and Reports. *W.*				D
Library. *Q.*	A			
Library Assistant. *M.* ...	A			
Library Association Record. *M.*	A			D
Library World. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Licensing World. *W.* (gift)			C	
Literary World. *M.* ...	A			D
Little Folks. *M.* ...			C	
Liverpool Courier. *D.* ...	A		C	
Local Government Chronicle. *W.* (gift) ...		B	C	D
Local Government Journal. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Local Government Officer. *W.* (gift)	A		C	
London County Council Gazette. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
London Crusader. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
London Gazette. *Bi-weekly.*				D
London Observer. (gift to A B C)	A	B	C	D
London Temperance Times. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	
Machinery Market. *W.* (gift)			C	
Madame. *W.*				D
Magazine of Commerce. *M.*	A			D
Manchester Guardian. *D.*	A		C	
Manual Training. M. (gift)	A		C	
Marylebone Mercury. *W.*		B		
Methodist Recorder. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B	C	
Methodist Times. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		
Middlesex County Times. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	

Mission Field. *M.* (gift)			C	
Montreal Gazette. *D.* (exchange)...			C	
Morley College Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Morning Advertiser. *D.*...			C	
Morning Leader. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Morning Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Motor. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Boat. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Traction. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Municipal Journal and London. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Musical Herald. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Musical Standard. *W.*...	A			
Musical Times. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Musician's, Incorporated Society of, Report. *M.* (gift)			C	
Nation. *W.*	A		C	
Nation in Arms. *W.* (gift)	A			
National Home Reading Union's Magazines. *M.*	A	B	C	D
National Review. *M.* ...	A		C	D
National Temperance Quarterly. *Q.* (gift) ...	A			
National Zeitung. *D.* ...				D
Nature. *W.*	A	B		D
Navy, The. *M.* (gift to A C)	A		C	D
Navy List. *M.*				D
Navy List. *Q.*	A	B	C	
New Church Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Nineteenth Century and After. *M.*	A	B	C	D
North American Review. *M.*				D
Notes and Queries. *W.*...	A		C	D
Observer. *W.* (October to March only)	A			D
Orchestral Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Organist and Choirmaster. *M.*				D
Our Own Gazette (Y.W.C.A.) *M.* (gift)...			C	
Outlook. *W.*	A			
Pall Mall Gazette. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Pall Mall Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Parents' Review. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Patents: Illus. Official Journal. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
Pearson's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
People. *W.* (October to March only)				D
Philanthropist. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Photographic Monthly. *M.*			C	
Photography. *W.* ...			C	
Pitman's Journal. *W.* (gift to A B)	A	B	C	D
Policy. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Poor Law Officer's Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Post Office Guide. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Public Opinion. *W.* ...	A		C	
Publishers' Circular. *W.*	A			D
Punch. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quarterly Review. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Queen. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quiver. *M.*	A	B	C	
Railway and Shipping Contractor. *W.* (gift)			C	
Railway Gazette. *W.* (gift)			C	
Railway News. *W.* ...	A			
Record. *W.*	A	B	C	
Review of Reviews. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Revue des deux Mondes. *F.*	A			D
Royal Meteorological Society Journal. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Royal Microscopical Society's Journal (gift)			C	
Royal Oak Magazine. *Q.* (gift)	A			
St. Matthew's Parish Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
St. Nicholas Magazine. *M.*			C	
Sales and Wants Advertiser. *M.*			C	
Saturday Review. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
School Government Chronicle. *W.* ...			C	
Schoolmaster. *W.* ...	A			D
Schoolmistress. *W.* ...	A			
Scotsman. *D.*	A			D
Scribner's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Seamen, Registrar-General's return of deaths of. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Selborne Magazine. *M.*	A			
Shipping Gazette. *D.* ...				D
Shipping Gazette. *W.* ...			C	
Shorthand Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Sketch. *W.*	A	B	C	
Society of Arts Journal. *W.*				D

Son of Temperance. *M.* (gift)	A C
South Africa. *W.* ...	C
Spectator. *W.*	A B C D
Sphere. *W.*	A B
Standard. *D.*	A B C D
Standard of Empire. *W.*	A B C D
Star. *D.*	A C
State Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A C
Statist. *W.*	C
Strand Magazine. *M.* ...	A B C
Studio. *M.*	A B C D
Sunday at Home. *M.* ...	A B C
Sunday Times. *W.* (October to March only) ...	A D
Sword and Trowel. *M.*...	C
System. *M.*	A
Table. *W.*	A
Tablet. *W.*	A B D
Tasmanian Mail. *W.* (gift)	C
Tatler. *W.*	A B C
Temperance Chronicle. *W.* (gift)	A B C D
Territorial Service Gazette. *W.*	C
Textile Recorder. *M.* (gift)	C D
Timber. *W.* (gift) ...	C
Times. *D.*	A B C D
Toronto Globe. *D.* (exchange)...	A
Toronto News. *D.* (exchange)	D
Trades and Labour Gazette. *M.*	A B C D
Tramway and Railway World. *M.* (gift) ...	C D
Traveller's Gazette. *M.* (gift)	C
Treasury. *M.*	B C
Truth. *W.*	A B C D
United Empire. *M.* (gift)	A C D
University Correspondent. *F.* (gift)	A B C
Vanity Fair. *W.* ...	A B C
Vegetarian Messenger. *M.* (gift)	C
Vulcan. *M.* (gift) ...	C
Westermanns Deutsche Monatshefte. *M.* ...	A
Western Daily Mercury. *D.*	C
Westminster and Pimlico News. *W.*	A B C D
Westminster Express. *W.*	A B C D
Westminster Gazette. *D.*	A B C D
Westminster Mail. *W.*...	A B C D
Westminster Review. *M.*	A D
Wheatsheaf. *M.* (gift) ...	A B C
Windsor Magazine. *M.*...	A B C
Women's Industrial News. *Q.*	C
Woodworker	A D
Work	C D
Work. *M.*	A B
World. *W.*	A B C D
World's Work and Play. *M.*	A B D
Yorkshire Post. *D.* ...	A C
Young England. *M.* ...	A
Zoophilist. *M.* (gift) ...	A C

RAILWAY TIME TABLES (supplied by the respective companies)—	
Belgian State Railways	A B C D
Caledonian	A C D
District	A D
Glasgow & South Western	A C D
Great Central	A B C D
Great Eastern	A B C D
Great Northern ...	A B C D
Great Western... ...	A B C D
Highland	B
Jura-Simplon	D
Lancashire & Yorkshire	D
London & North-Western	A B C D
London & South-Western	A B C D
London, Brighton & South Coast... ...	A B C D
London County Council List of Workmen's Trains and Trams ...	A B C D
London, Tilbury & Southend	D
Metropolitan	D
Midland	A B C D
North British	A B C D
North Eastern... ...	A
South Eastern & Chatham	A B C D
Zeeland Steamship Co.	A

STATEMENT OF

EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

AND

PARTICULARS OF LOANS.

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1910.

EXPENDITURE.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Property.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	General.	Total Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fittings and Repairs... ...	147 12 7	176 7 2	95 18 7	7 1 10	237 3 4	—	664 3 6
Books and Catalogues ...	—	—	—	—	—	1,275 4 0	1,275 4 0
Bookbinding	110 12 11	48 11 10	81 8 3	—	116 12 7	—	357 5 7
Newspapers and Periodicals...	141 15 2	69 19 7	119 6 2	—	113 3 6	—	444 4 5
Salaries and Wages	1,320 5 10	611 17 7	845 8 7	—	1,028 15 10	560 0 0	4,366 7 10
Printing and Stationery ...	54 7 2	11 15 2	39 12 0	—	43 11 11	18 12 1	167 18 4
Fuel, Light and Water ...	244 8 9	120 0 11	210 8 9	—	140 0 0	—	714 18 5
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurance	186 2 5	199 13 5	162 0 7	111 19 11	155 13 11	—	815 10 3
Cleaning Materials	35 12 6	15 10 4	31 11 7	—	31 3 11	—	113 18 4
Postage and Office Expenses	15 19 5	1 7 2	4 9 11	—	2 19 1	5 14 9	30 10 4
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	—	301 12 2	301 12 2
Miscellaneous...	13 6 3	12 7 3	11 14 0	—	11 6 3	8 7 0	57 0 9
	2,270 3 0	1,267 10 5	1,601 18 5	119 1 9	1,880 10 4	2,169 10 0	9,308 13 11
Mortgage Loan Charges ...	789 19 4	325 5 4	334 18 10	—	763 9 0	—	2,213 12 6
£	3,060 2 4	1,592 15 9	1,936 17 3	119 1 9	2,643 19 4	2,169 10 0	11,522 6 5

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1910.

INCOME.

		Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Property.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fines...		60 10 6	25 16 8	42 14 2	—	31 12 9	160 14 1	
Catalogues		9 0 5	3 17 9	8 19 6	—	3 4 9	25 2 5	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	92 12 7	—	192 12 7	
Interest on Investment		80 12 2	—	—	—	—	80 12 2	
Donations and Miscellaneous ...		21 15 1	9 2 4	8 4 6	—	9 6 6	48 8 5	
		271 18 2	38 16 9	59 18 2	92 12 7	44 4 0	507 9 8	507 9 8
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—								
St. George, Hanover Square	4,177 16 9							
St. Margaret and St. John ...	2,173 0 0							
St. Peter (Collegiate Close) ...	7 0 0							
St. James	1,916 0 0							
St. Anne, Soho	400 0 0							
St. Martin-in-the-Fields ...	1,334 0 0							
St. Clement Danes	503 0 0							
St. Mary-le-Strand	112 0 0							
St. Paul, Covent Garden ...	238 0 0							
Liberty of the Rolls	101 0 0							
Precinct of the Savoy... ...	53 0 0							
								11,014 16 9
								£ 11,522 6 5

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1910.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Interest.
	£			*Y'rs*		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	8,684 5 0	490 5 4	299 14 0	8,193 19 8	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	2,511 2 6	129 13 11	87 2 11	2,381 8 7	3½
Ditto	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	1,255 11 8	64 17 0	43 11 6	1,190 14 8	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN :—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	3,029 0 0	233 0 0	101 18 10	2,796 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS :—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	6,342 10 4	119 0 6	220 19 2	6,223 9 10	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	3,304 1 8	265 8 1	113 6 11	3,038 13 7	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	402 10 6	30 12 6	14 1 10	371 18 0	3½
£	43,390				£	25,529 1 8	1,332 17 4	880 15 2	24,196 4 4	

WM. CULSHAW, *Deputy City Comptroller.*

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

REPORT

OF THE

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FOR THE YEAR

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City of Westminster.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1910, to 31st March, 1911.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—During the year there were added to the libraries 3,632 volumes, nearly 500 more than in the previous year. Of this number 208 were gifts. After deduction of 514 withdrawn from the shelves, the total stock at 31st March stood at 117,359 volumes, distributed between the four libraries as follows :—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	13,639	24,485	38,124
South Audley Street Library	1,835	14,098	15,933
Great Smith Street Library	6,935	21,314	28,249
St. Martin's Lane Library	20,039	15,014	35,053
TOTALS	42,448	74,911	117,359

RENEWALS.—Worn-out copies of popular works have been replaced by new to the number of 1,453 volumes. The purchases of books above recorded are exclusive of the acquirement, as opportunity arises, of suitable copies held in hand for replacement purposes. This system of a reserve stock enables the Committee to effect economy by buying on favourable terms and frequently saves long withdrawal of books from circulation.

ISSUES OF BOOKS.—In the reference departments 194,613 volumes have been consulted, an increase of 6,948. From the lending departments 332,255 books were circulated, as compared with 305,259 in the preceding year. The increase of 26,996 was mainly at St. Martin's Lane Library, where 24,121 more volumes

were lent for home reading. This result is attributable to the re-organization and improvement of the lending library there and the printing of a new complete catalogue. The combined issue (both reference and lending libraries) of 526,868 is a gain on the year before of 33,944 volumes. With all this use of the books, only four volumes, valued at 16*s.* 4*d.*, have been lost through default of borrowers.

NUMBER OF BORROWERS.—New tickets have been issued to 6,413 borrowers. The total number registered is 11,998, who hold 16,134 tickets, 4,136 being second or "students'" tickets, not available for fiction.

TOTAL ATTENDANCES.—The usual periodical counts have been taken as a basis for calculating the whole use made of the libraries in the various departments. Only approximate estimates can be formed from these recorded attendances which are subject to varying influences of weather and other factors, but it would appear that last year's figures have been exceeded by some 6,000, the total number of visitors being estimated at 2,608 000.

CLASS OF READING.—Last year the fall in the percentage of fiction issued was from 38 to 36·74—it now stands at 35·98. Taking into consideration the rapidity with which novels are read and the number of borrowers who read nothing but novels, this percentage is remarkably low and proves the growing attention given to more serious reading which it is the main object of the Committee to encourage in their selections of books.

BOOKS ON EDUCATION.—On the suggestion of the Education Officer of the London County Council, the collection of books on Education and allied subjects at Buckingham Palace Road Library has been strengthened by the addition of some 200 volumes from a special list prepared for the County Council.

This section now contains about 500 books destined principally for the use of Teachers, Managers and all persons interested in Education; and a separate classified catalogue is being prepared.

MUSIC LIBRARY.—The collection of Music and Musical Literature also in the Library at Buckingham Palace Road has been much enlarged and brought further up to date A new complete catalogue of the Music will be issued in due course.

SUNDAY OPENING.—The opening of the Buckingham Palace Road and St. Martin's Lane Libraries on Sunday evenings was continued through the six winter months. The use made of Buckingham Palace Road Library gives figures slightly in excess of the previous winter, the average being 214 persons as against 202. At St. Martin's Lane Library a decrease of 41 reduces the total to 225 per Sunday. Notwithstanding this reduction your Committee consider an average attendance of over 200 at each library sufficient to justify continuation of the Sunday evening opening for at least another winter, and their recommendation thereof has been adopted by the Council.

IMPROVEMENTS AT GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY. —Considerable alterations and improvements have been made in the lending department and news-room at Great Smith Street Library. Increased accommodation for both the storage and issue of books is now given in the former department, while conversion of tables into reading stands has provided better facilities for the readers of newspapers and periodicals. The electric lighting of all the public rooms has been entirely re-arranged and the use of metal filament lamps throughout gives better light at a reduced cost.

GIFTS.—The acquisitions by gifts, while comparatively small in number, are acceptable, and to the respective donors expression of acknowledgment has been conveyed.

FINANCIAL.—Statements of Expenditure and Income with particulars of loans, as prepared by the City Comptroller, are herewith submitted.

THE LATE ALDERMAN ANTROBUS.—Your Committee cannot close this Report without special reference to the lamented death of Alderman Robert Crawfurd Antrobus, J.P., which occurred on the 12th February. His almost parental interest in the libraries dated from the inception, so largely due to his leading, of the St. George, Hanover Square Libraries. Upon their establishment in 1890 he was appointed the first Chairman of the Library Commissioners, and continued in that office until the transfer of the authority to the City Council in 1900. The Libraries Committee of the Council naturally appointed Mr. Antrobus to be their Chairman, and upon the termination, under the Council's rule, of his three years' service in that capacity, he became Vice-Chairman, and held that office until just before his death. With his life closes an epoch in the history of the Westminster Libraries and his passing removes a prominent influence in all movements affecting the intellectual interests of the community, which he served with such large-hearted zeal in many important directions. It is the desire and hope of your Committee that some permanent memorial of the late Alderman's personality and public services may be provided.

On behalf of the Committee,

R. WOOLLEY WALDEN,
Chairman.

FRANK PACY,
Librarian.

June, 1911.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1910	13,416	23,327	1,805	13,714	6,895	20,902	19,518	14,664	114,241
Since withdrawn	281	25	1	—	21	71	57	58	514
Do. transferred	11	1	—	—	—	12	14	—	38
	13,124	23,301	1,804	13,714	6,874	20,819	19,447	14,606	113,689
Added, 1910-1911	514	1,184	25	381	49	495	576	408	3,632
Do. do. by transfer	1	—	6	3	12	—	16	—	38
Total at 31st March, 1911	13,639	24,485	1,835	14,098	6,935	21,314	20,039	15,014	117,359
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	38,124		15,933		28,249		35,053		

Combined Totals ... ...

Reference Libraries	42,448
Lending Libraries	74,911
Total Volumes ...	117,359

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
Buckingham Palace Road Library:—													
Reference Department ..	75	672	1,931	818	366	1,613	1,716	4,327	—	2,121	—	13,639	38,124
Lending Department ...	241	1,102	982	1,011	376	1,595	3,515	6,355	6,081	783	2,444	24,485	
South Audley Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	13	89	169	72	61	201	368	554	—	308	—	1,835	15,933
Lending Department ...	103	491	398	610	201	688	1,772	3,745	4,137	573	1,380	14,098	
Great Smith Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	181	465	169	1,756	239	2,199	1,795	—	119	—	6,935	28,249
Lending Department ...	191	1,213	908	1,081	589	605	2,884	6,585	4,426	1,670	1,162	21,314	
St. Martin's Lane Library:—													
Reference Department ...	89	1,028	2,701	1,082	536	1,312	1,844	5,865	—	5,582	—	20,039	35,053
Lending Department ...	147	548	716	785	300	748	2,061	4,050	4,346	14	1,299	15,014	
Summary:—													
Reference Libraries ...	189	1,970	5,266	2,141	2,719	3,365	6,127	12,541	—	8,130	—	42,448	117,359
Lending Libraries	682	3,354	3,004	3,487	1,466	3,636	10,232	20,735	18,990	3,040	6,285	74,911	
Totals	871	5,324	8,270	5,628	4,185	7,001	16,359	33,276	18,990	11,170	6,285	117,359	

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 31st, 1911.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	39,106	118,941	158,047
South Audley Street Library	14,279	40,394	54,673
Great Smith Street Library	34,484	78,573	113,057
St. Martin's Lane Library	106,744	94,347	201,091
Totals	194,613	332,255	526,868

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on next pages.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	632,552
South Audley Street...	459,697
Great Smith Street	533,380
St. Martin's Lane	982,828
Total	2,608,457

CLASSIFICATION OF THE

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
Buckingham Palace Road Library:—						
Reference Department	302	275	1,155	4,323	1,259	1,892
Lending Department	270½	642	1,166	1,407	1,949	1,199
	—	917	2,321	5,730	3,208	3,091
South Audley Street Library:—						
Reference Department	302	158	305	718	326	612
Lending Department	269½	144	383	454	671	393
	—	302	688	1,172	997	1,005
Great Smith Street Library:—						
Reference Department	288	83	411	5,093	759	1,169
Lending Department	263½	206	903	1,388	1,665	1,575
	—	289	1,314	6,481	2,424	2,744
St. Martin's Lane Library:—						
Reference Department	307	676	1,234	12,416	4,475	3,319
Lending Department	270½	620	895	2,621	2,460	1,693
	—	1,296	2,129	15,037	6,935	5,012
Summary:—						
Reference Libraries	—	1,192	3,105	22,550	6,819	6,992
Lending Libraries	—	1,612	3,347	5,870	6,745	4,860
Totals	—	2,804	6,452	28,420	13,564	11,852
Percentage in each class... ...	—	·53	1·23	5·41	2·58	2·26

ISSUES (EXCLUDING SUNDAYS).

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
3,936	7,908	9,525	—	8,152	—	38,425	127
5,178	9,231	13,710	65,301	1,113	18,045	118,941	440
9,114	17,139	23,235	65,301	9,265	18,045	157,366	567
782	1,677	3,257	—	6,444	—	14,279	47
1,224	2,474	4,199	24,144	678	5,630	40,394	150
2,006	4,151	7,456	24,144	7,122	5,630	54,673	197
760	2,550	12,916	—	10,743	—	34,484	120
1,653	3,639	7,873	46,466	3,485	9,720	78,573	298
2,413	6,189	20,789	46,466	14,228	9,720	113,057	418
5,436	5,858	33,720	—	38,775	—	105,909	345
4,317	7,322	10,589	53,125	51	10,654	94,347	349
9,753	13,180	44,309	53,125	38,826	10,654	200,256	694
10,914	17,993	59,418	—	64,114	—	193,097	—
12,372	22,666	36,371	189,036	5,327	44,049	332,255	—
23,286	40,659	95,789	189,036	69,441	44,049	525,352	—
4·43	7·74	18·23	35·98	13·22	8·39	100·00	—

ISSUES OF BOOKS ON SUNDAYS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARIES.

(6 Months—October to March, between 6 and 9.30 each Sunday evening.)

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Totals.	Average per Sunday, 1909-10.	*Average per Sunday, 1908-9.*
Buckingham Palace Road Library	25	6	11	104	35	35	55	190	156	89	681	27	*26*
St. Martin's Lane Library	25	4	9	168	52	35	55	65	205	242	835	33	*37*
Totals	—	10	20	272	87	70	110	255	361	331	1,516	—	—

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES.

Month	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Totals.	Daily Average.	
No. of Sundays Open ...	5	4	3	5	4	4	25	1910–11	*1909–10.*
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD:—									
Reference Library	71	38	38	76	79	54	356	14	*13*
Magazine Room	281	180	147	284	232	219	1,343	54	*54*
Reading Room	848	904	478	888	699	680	4,497	180	*170*
Whole Building	1,021	1,036	558	1,070	854	806	5,345	214	*202*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	204	259	186	214	213	201	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1909–10 ...	*174*	*212*	*195*	*200*	*214*	*230*	—	—	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE:—									
Reference Library	120	111	76	138	118	84	647	26	*30*
Reading Room	875	779	594	1,173	831	776	5,028	201	*231*
Whole Building	983	873	666	1,312	920	868	5,622	225	*266*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	197	218	222	262	230	217	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1909–10 ...	*220*	*252*	*285*	*289*	*278*	*288*	—	—	—
Total Attendances (2 Libraries) ...	2,004	1,909	1,224	2,382	1,774	1,674	10,967 (25 Sundays.)	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1909–10 ...	*1,970*	*1,859*	*1,440*	*2,444*	*1,971*	*1,553*	*11,237* (24 Sundays.)	—	—

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1910)	5,478	1,917	3,918	4,060	15,373
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	2,906	1,041	2,094	2,024	8,065
	2,572	876	1,824	2,036	7,308
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to 6,413 Borrowers, of whom 2,413 hold an extra Student's Ticket	2,990	1,007	1,970	2,859	8,826
	5,562	1,883	3,794	4,895	16,134

Analysis.

Adult Borrowers	3,994	1,373	2,791	3,083	11,241
Juvenile Borrowers (under 13 years of age)	286	137	198	136	757
Total Borrowers	4,280	1,510	2,989	3,219	11,998
Students' Tickets	1,282	373	805	1,676	4,136
	5,562	1,883	3,794	4,895	16,134

Particulars as to New Borrowers enrolled during the Year 1910–1911.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—													
Conduit Ward	—	1	2	20	51	55	—	—	—	1	6	5	141
Grosvenor Ward	—	1	—	62	358	71	—	1	—	—	2	1	496
Knightsbridge Ward	51	237	2	—	2	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	295
Victoria Ward	268	1,299	54	3	6	1	11	60	—	2	4	3	1,711
St. Margaret and St. John :—													
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	2	10	—	1	10	—	1	—	—	1	3	1	29
St. John Ward	15	124	3	—	2	—	165	595	107	1	4	3	1,019
St. Margaret Ward	15	83	74	—	—	2	26	121	426	1	4	112	864
St. Martin and St. Paul :—													
Charing Cross Ward	—	2	12	—	1	4	—	5	8	30	74	369	505
Covent Garden Ward	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	42	138	287	468
St. James :—													
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	—	1	2	25	13	—	—	2	10	57	18	128
Pall Mall Ward	—	3	3	1	14	12	—	2	1	12	20	45	113
Regent Ward	—	—	1	4	24	27	—	—	1	14	84	66	221
Other Strand Parishes :—													
St. Anne Ward	—	—	—	2	4	2	—	—	—	25	113	50	196
Strand Ward	—	—	6	—	—	1	—	—	3	9	18	190	227
	351	1,760	158	95	497	189	203	786	549	148	527	1,150	6,413

Summary :—Ratepayers, 797 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,570 ; Non-Resident Employés, 2,046* ; Total, 6,413.

* Of the 2,046 Non-Resident Borrowers 790 are Civil Servants.

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1910-1911.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	154	72	119	80	425
13 to 16	292	52	152	140	636
16 to 18	117	50	126	156	449
18 to 21	182	48	164	220	614
Above 21	1,524	559	977	1,229	4,289
Totals	2,269	781	1,538	1,825	6,413
Sexes.					
Males :—					
Adults	1,054	354	970	1,308	3,686
Juveniles	95	36	81	43	255
Totals	1,149	390	1,051	1,351	3,941
Females :—					
Adults	1,061	355	449	437	2,302
Juveniles	59	36	38	37	170
Totals	1,120	391	487	474	2,472

DONATIONS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO THE FUNDS OF THE LIBRARIES:—

	£	s.	d.
Mr. Victor Van de Weyer, Annual Subscription	2	0	0
Duke of Westminster do.	5	0	0

DONORS OF BOOKS, &c.

	Buckingham Palace Road.		South Audley Street.		Great Smith Street.		St. Martin's Lane.	
	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.
Accountants and Auditors, Society of	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Arthur, Mr. A.	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Baines, Mr. W. W.	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—
Baker, Mrs.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Barnardo's Homes, Dr. ...	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Board of Trade, Labour Dept.	5	—	—	—	5	—	5	—
Brazil: Mission Brésilienne ...	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—
British Association for Labour Legislation	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—
British Guiana Permanent Exhibitions Committee ...	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—
British Museum, Trustees of the	4	—	—	—	—	—	5	—
Broadwood, Miss L. (author)	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burrow, Mr. E. J. (publisher)	—	28	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bush, Miss	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Camberwell, Town Clerk of...	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Canada, Dept. of Agriculture	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canada, Dept. of Mines ...	—	—	—	—	13	5	—	—
Canada, High Commissioner for	3	—	—	—	3	—	3	—
Carnegie, Mr. A.	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Chalmers, Sir M. D., K.C.B.	—	—	—	—	29	—	—	—

DONORS OF BOOKS, &c.—*continued.*

	Buckingham Palace Road.		South Audley Street.		Great Smith Street.		St. Martin's Lane.	
	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.	Vols.	Pamphlets.
Chatto & Windus, Messrs. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Cheney, Mr. George, F.S.A., Trustees of *the late* ...	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—
Church Emigration Society ...	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
Collingwood, Bros., Messrs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Co-operative Union, Ltd. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Cremation Society of England	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Daily News, The	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—
Davies, Miss	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eccles, Miss, "The Nineteenth Century," monthly.								
Edinburgh, City Chamberlain of	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Emigrants' Information Office, Quarterly Circulars.								
Engineers, Society of... ...	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Evans, Mr. R.	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Exchange Telegraph Co. ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Finland International Conference	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Forstmeyer, Miss M.... ...	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Francis, Messsrs. A., Ltd. ...	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fryer, Mr. A. C. (author) ...	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Gib, Rev. C. W. (author) ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Goussaroff, W.	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hampton's Directory Co. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Hearts of Oak Benefit Society	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—
Hill, Mr. Julian. Minutes of Proceedings of the Institute of Civil Engineers.								
Horniman's Museum, L.C.C.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Howe, Earl, G.C.V.O. ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Janet, C. (author)	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
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	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Property.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	General.	Total Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fittings and Repairs... ...	234 11 1	53 17 9	465 19 2	—	48 18 7	—	803 6 7
Books and Catalogues ...	—	—	—	—	—	1,203 12 10	1,203 12 10
Bookbinding	131 14 3	51 8 10	86 12 1	—	109 2 7	—	378 17 9
Newspapers and Periodicals...	154 15 0	75 9 11	126 14 8	—	112 2 5	—	469 2 0
Salaries and Wages	1,288 3 2	635 17 10	862 18 10	—	1,113 10 10	605 11 1	4,506 1 9
Printing and Stationery ...	54 19 1	14 4 2	30 16 0	—	46 14 2	28 19 4	175 12 9
Fuel, Light and Water ...	223 18 6	128 3 0	212 5 6	—	139 9 1	—	703 16 1
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurance	208 6 5	201 2 5	163 6 2	92 5 6	154 17 0	—	819 17 6
Cleaning Materials	34 5 9	14 6 8	26 8 4	—	18 10 1	—	93 10 10
Postage and Office Expenses	13 10 6	1 6 0	5 12 2	—	3 3 5	5 17 9	29 9 10
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	—	301 13 0	301 13 0
Miscellaneous...	11 1 6	9 6 0	13 3 0	100 0 0	9 14 6	8 8 1	151 13 1
	2,355 5 3	1,185 2 7	1,993 15 11	192 5 6	1,756 2 8	2,154 2 1	9,636 14 0
Mortgage Loan Charges ...	789 19 4	325 5 4	326 15 8	—	763 9 0	—	2,205 9 4
£	3,145 4 7	1,510 7 11	2,320 11 7	192 5 6	2,519 11 8	2,154 2 1	11,842 3 4

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1911.

INCOME.

		Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Property.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fines...		59 16 10	25 18 1	44 3 0	—	45 12 11	175 10 10	
Catalogues		8 7 10	4 4 7	4 7 6	—	23 7 3	40 7 2	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	26 12 0	—	126 12 0	
Interest on Investment		80 8 8	—	—	—	—	80 8 8	
Donations and Miscellaneous ...		13 2 9	6 18 6	6 18 2	—	10 15 1	37 14 6	
		261 16 1	37 1 2	55 8 8	26 12 0	79 15 3	460 13 2	460 13 2
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—								
St. George, Hanover Square	4,289 10 2							
St. Margaret and St. John ...	2,222 0 0							
St. Peter (Collegiate Close) ...	8 0 0							
St. James	2,022 0 0							
St. Anne, Soho	419 0 0							
St. Martin-in-the-Fields ...	1,383 0 0							
St. Clement Danes	520 0 0							
St. Mary-le-Strand	115 0 0							
St. Paul, Covent Garden ...	245 0 0							
Liberty of the Rolls	104 0 0							
Precinct of the Savoy... ...	54 0 0							11,381 10 2
							£	11,842 3 4

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1911.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Interest.
	£			Y'rs		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	8,193 19 8	507 11 7	282 7 9	7,686 8 1	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	2,381 8 7	134 5 11	82 10 11	2,247 2 8	3½
Ditto	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	1,190 14 8	67 3 0	41 5 6	1,123 11 8	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN :—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	2,796 0 0	233 0 0	93 15 8	2,563 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS :—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	6,223 9 10	123 4 7	216 15 1	6,100 5 3	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	3,038 13 7	274 15 6	103 19 6	2,763 18 1	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	371 18 0	31 14 0	13 0 4	340 4 0	3½
£	43,390				£	24,196 4 4	1,371 14 7	833 14 9	22,824 9 9	

LISTER WOODHOUSE, *City Comptroller.*

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

REPORT

OF THE

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FOR THE YEAR

1911-1912.

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City of Westminster.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1911, to 31st March, 1912.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—The additions to the libraries during the year numbered 2,853 volumes, of which 136 were presented. The books purchased are fewer than in the previous year, but of a higher average cost. Owing to the growing practice among publishers of issuing books at prices not subject to any discount, and also to the undoubted increase in the published prices of non-fictional books, the average cost of accessions is likely to increase and the number in consequence to diminish.

The number of books permanently withdrawn from the shelves was 473, the total stock at the 31st March being 119,739 volumes, distributed between the various libraries as follows :—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	13,943	25,193	39,136
South Audley Street Library	1,777	14,474	16,251
Great Smith Street Library	7,013	21,732	28,745
St. Martin's Lane Library	20,191	15,416	35,607
TOTALS	42,924	76,815	119,739

RENEWALS.—Another factor which tends to reduce the accession of new books is the yearly increasing necessity to replace worn-out copies of popular works. During the year, 1,832 volumes were required for this purpose. Many

of these were taken from the reserve stock of duplicates, which now amounts to about 3,000 volumes, and is continually being added to.

ISSUE OF BOOKS.—The issue of books from the reference departments shows a slight increase, 195,407 volumes being consulted. From the lending departments 330,732 books were borrowed for home reading, a decrease of about 1,500. The loss through default of borrowers is only four volumes, valued at 12*s.* 6*d.*

NUMBER OF BORROWERS.—New tickets have been issued to 6,538 borrowers. The total number now upon the register is 12,170, holding 16,853 tickets.

TOTAL ATTENDANCES.—The unusually fine and warm summer has undoubtedly affected the attendances in the news and reading-rooms, as the occasional daily counts showed a considerable falling off. It is impossible to give other than an approximate estimate of the total attendances at all the libraries during the year, but probably the figure is about 2,500,000, as against the previous year's estimate of 2,608,000.

SUNDAY OPENING.—The attendances on Sunday evenings during the winter months at the Buckingham Palace Road and St. Martin's Lane Libraries numbered 10,380, a slight reduction on the previous year. The full return will be found on p. 12.

CLASS OF READING.—A further slight reduction in the percentage of fiction read is to be noted, the figure being 35·70. The ill-informed criticism so frequently met in the newspaper press, that the use of the public libraries is mainly by fiction-readers, should be disposed of by reference to these and other similar statistics.

CATALOGUES.—During the year new supplementary catalogues were issued for the Buckingham Palace Road,

South Audley Street, and Great Smith Street Libraries, also special classified catalogues of the Music and the books upon Education in the Buckingham Palace Road Library. With regard to this last, the Education Department of the London County Council has undertaken to circulate the catalogue amongst the teachers of the district, drawing their special attention to the value of the collection.

FINANCIAL.—Statements of Expenditure and Income with particulars of loans, as prepared by the City Comptroller, are herewith submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,

R. WOOLLEY WALDEN,
Chairman.

FRANK PACY,
Librarian.

July, 1912.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1911	13,639	24,485	1,835	14,098	6,935	21,314	20,039	15,014	117,359
Since withdrawn	6	9	103	—	21	78	217	39	473
Do. transferred	20	—	—	—	—	36	—	—	56
	13,613	24,476	1,732	14,098	6,914	21,200	19,822	14,975	116,830
Added, 1911-1912	330	717	27	374	63	532	369	441	2,853
Do. do. by transfer	—	—	18	2	36	—	—	—	56
Total at 31st March, 1912	13,943	25,193	1,777	14,474	7,013	21,732	20,191	15,416	119,739
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	39,136		16,251		28,745		35,607		

Combined Totals ... ...

Reference Libraries	42,924
Lending Libraries	76,815
Total Volumes ...	119,739

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
Buckingham Palace Road Library:—													
Reference Department ...	80	679	1,978	819	401	1,691	1,730	4,410	—	2,155	—	13,943	39,136
Lending Department ...	267	1,117	1,006	1,040	390	1,653	3,618	6,560	6,232	801	2,509	25,193	
South Audley Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	92	183	79	63	214	370	521	—	243	—	1,777	16,251
Lending Department ...	110	498	408	624	206	704	1,796	3,868	4,247	591	1,422	14,474	
Great Smith Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	182	463	169	1,769	275	2,224	1,800	—	119	—	7,013	28,745
Lending Department ...	193	1,221	943	1,087	602	594	2,906	6,729	4,543	1,697	1,217	21,732	
St. Martin's Lane Library:—													
Reference Department ...	88	1,031	2,723	1,103	537	1,319	1,847	5,934	—	5,609	—	20,191	35,607
Lending Department ...	156	556	746	808	312	758	2,099	4,219	4,420	15	1,327	15,416	
Summary:—													
Reference Libraries ...	192	1,984	5,347	2,170	2,770	3,499	6,171	12,665	—	8,126	—	42,924	119,739
Lending Libraries	726	3,392	3,103	3,559	1,510	3,709	10,419	21,376	19,442	3,104	6,475	76,815	
Totals	918	5,376	8,450	5,729	4,280	7,208	16,590	34,041	19,442	11,230	6,475	119,739	

CLASSIFICATION OF THE

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	287	411	1,271	3,866	1,403	1,664
Lending Department	262	740	1,188	1,470	1,673	1,229
	—	1,151	2,459	5,336	3,076	2,893
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	301	78	183	1,354	276	534
Lending Department	267	124	341	479	569	374
	—	202	524	1,833	845	908
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	292	37	471	6,093	487	1,073
Lending Department	267	196	835	1,165	1,551	1,656
	—	233	1,306	7,258	2,038	2,729
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	294	745	1,198	14,944	4,090	3,220
Lending Department	268	703	1,083	2,968	2,795	1,748
	—	1,448	2,281	17,912	6,885	4,968
SUMMARY:—						
Reference Libraries	—	1,271	3,123	26,257	6,256	6,491
Lending Libraries	—	1,763	3,447	6,082	6,588	5,007
Totals	—	3,034	6,570	32,339	12,844	11,498
Percentage in each class... ...	—	·58	1·25	6·17	2·45	2·19

ISSUES (EXCLUDING SUNDAYS).

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
4,366	7,101	8,903	—	8,057	—	37,042	129
5,798	9,009	13,174	61,814	1,358	14,242	111,695	426
10,164	16,110	22,077	61,814	9,415	14,242	148,737	555
795	1,677	2,622	—	6,111	—	13,630	45
1,097	2,518	3,848	23,217	955	4,641	38,163	143
1,892	4,195	6,470	23,217	7,066	4,641	51,793	188
781	2,518	15,283	—	12,209	—	38,952	133
1,600	3,837	7,798	49,170	3,065	11,180	82,053	307
2,381	6,355	23,081	49,170	15,274	11,180	121,005	440
5,453	6,611	31,981	—	35,924	—	104,166	354
4,691	9,577	12,696	53,046	40	9,474	98,821	369
10,144	16,188	44,677	53,046	35,964	9,474	202,987	723
11,395	17,907	58,789	—	62,301	—	193,790	—
13,186	24,941	37,516	187,247	5,418	39,537	330,732	—
24,581	42,848	96,305	187,247	67,719	39,537	524,522	—
4·68	8·17	18·36	35·70	12·91	7·54	100·00	—

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 31st, 1912.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	37,782	111,695	149,477
South Audley Street Library	13,630	38,163	51,793
Great Smith Street Library	38,952	82,053	121,005
St. Martin's Lane Library	105,043	98,821	203,864
Totals	195,407	330,732	526,139

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on pages 8 and 9.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	600,000
South Audley Street...	450,000
Great Smith Street	530,000
St. Martin's Lane	920,000
Total	2,500,000

ISSUES OF BOOKS ON SUNDAYS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARIES.

(6 Months—October to March, between 6 and 9.30 each Sunday evening.)

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Totals.	Average per Sunday, 1911-12.	*Average per Sunday, 1910-11.*
Buckingham Palace Road Library	26	9	30	82	46	69	77	179	161	87	740	28	*27*
St. Martin's Lane Library	26	10	22	121	48	31	70	67	257	251	877	34	*33*
Totals	—	19	52	203	94	100	147	246	418	338	1,617	—	—

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES.

Month	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Totals.	Daily Average.	
No. of Sundays Open ...	5	4	4	4	4	5	26	1911–12	*1910–11.*
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD:—									
Reference Library	76	63	72	47	66	90	414	16	*14*
Magazine Room	228	198	192	213	206	297	1,334	51	*54*
Reading Room	737	688	598	701	651	866	4,241	163	180
Whole Building	891	824	716	849	762	1,004	5,046	194	*214*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	178	206	179	212	190	201	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1910–11 ...	*204*	*259*	*186*	*214*	*213*	*201*	—	—	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE:—									
Reference Library	127	87	91	107	96	121	629	24	*26*
Reading Room	934	644	620	748	753	903	4,602	177	*201*
Whole Building	1,070	769	723	884	878	1,010	5,334	205	*225*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	214	192	181	221	220	202	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1910–11 ...	*197*	*218*	*222*	*262*	*230*	*217*	—	—	—
Total Attendances (2 Libraries) ...	1,961	1,593	1,439	1,733	1,640	2,014	10,380 (26 Sundays.)	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1910–11 ...	*2,004*	*1,909*	*1,693*	*1,913*	*1,774*	*1,674*	*10,967 (25 Sundays.)*	—	—

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	TOTALS.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1911)	5,562	1,883	3,794	4,895	16,134
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	3,074	1,006	2,030	2,246	8,356
	2,488	877	1,764	2,649	7,778
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to 6,538 Borrowers, of whom 2,537 hold an extra Student's Ticket	2,965	957	2,395	2,758	9,075
	5,453	1,834	4,159	5,407	16,853

ANALYSIS.

Adult Borrowers	3,894	1,337	2,921	3,200	11,352
Juvenile Borrowers (under 13 years of age)	255	111	286	166	818
Total Borrowers	4,149	1,448	3,207	3,366	12,170
Students' Tickets	1,304	386	952	2,041	4,683
	5,453	1,834	4,159	5,407	16,853

Particulars as to New Borrowers enrolled during the Year 1911–1912.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—													
Conduit Ward	—	—	3	20	63	45	1	—	—	1	2	9	144
Grosvenor Ward	—	2	—	63	366	56	—	1	—	—	2	2	492
Knightsbridge Ward	60	223	2	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	1	290
Victoria Ward	263	1,309	51	1	8	2	4	81	—	1	11	—	1,731
St. Margaret and St. John :—													
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	3	23	1	6	14	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	49
St. John Ward	19	129	5	—	2	—	173	760	100	—	10	2	1,200
St. Margaret Ward	15	62	46	1	1	1	41	137	507	3	2	111	927
St. Martin and St. Paul :—													
Charing Cross Ward	—	1	7	—	—	4	1	7	11	22	59	330	442
Covent Garden Ward	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	—	58	115	244	422
St. James :—													
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	—	—	4	22	14	—	—	—	1	43	17	101
Pall Mall Ward	—	5	3	—	4	4	—	3	2	4	31	67	123
Regent Ward	—	—	2	9	20	22	1	—	—	24	83	54	215
Other Strand Parishes :—													
St. Anne Ward	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	23	93	33	152
Strand Ward	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	5	4	14	224	250
	360	1,754	123	105	500	150	222	996	625	141	468	1,094	6,538

Summary :—Ratepayers, 828 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,718 ; Non-Resident Employés, 1,992* ; Total, 6,538.

* Of the 1,992 Non-Resident Borrowers 905 are Civil Servants.

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1911-1912.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	133	56	197	90	476
13 to 16	259	85	183	130	657
16 to 18	115	45	136	165	461
18 to 21	191	64	208	258	721
Above 21	1,539	505	1,119	1,060	4,223
Totals	2,237	755	1,843	1,703	6,538
Sexes.					
Males :—					
Adults	981	351	1,045	1,265	3,642
Juveniles	69	46	88	56	259
Totals	1,050	397	1,133	1,321	3,901
Females :—					
Adults	1,123	348	601	348	2,420
Juveniles	64	10	109	34	217
Totals	1,187	358	710	382	2,637

DONATIONS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO THE FUNDS OF THE LIBRARIES:—

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Duke of Westminster do.	... ...	5	0	0

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A.B.C. Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Academic Gazette. *H.* (gift)	A		C	
Academy. *W.*	A		C	D
Accountant. *W.* (gift) ...				D
Accountants' (Associated) Journal. *Q.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Aero, *M.*	A		C	D
Agricultural Economist. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Agriculture, Journal of Board of. *M.*... ...	A			
Amateur Photographer. *W.* (gift to D)	A			D
Anglo-Russian. *M.* (gift)	A			
Anti-Slavery Reporter. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Antiquary. *M.*				D
Arbitrator. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B		D
Architect and Contract Reporter. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Army and Navy Chronicle *M.*	A			
Army and Navy Gazette. *W.*	A			D
Army List. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Art Decoratif, L'. *M.* ...				D
Art Decorator. *M.* ...				D
Aspirant (Civil Service Guide). *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	
Athenæum. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Atlantic Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Australasian World. *W.*	A	B		D
Baptist Times. *W.* ...		B		
Bibliographical Society's News Sheets. *M.* ...				D
Birmingham Daily Post. *D.*	A			
Birmingham Gazette. *D.*			G	
Blackwood's Magazine. *M.*	A		C	D
Board of Trade Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Board of Trade Labour Gazette. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Book Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Bookman. *M.*	A		C	D
Books of To-day. *M.* ...	A			
Bookseller. *W.*	A			
Boy's Own Paper. *M.*...	A		C	
Bradshaw's Continental Guide	A	B	C	D
Bradshaw's Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
British Architect. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
British Australasian. *W.* (gift)				D
British Columbia Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...	A			

British Journal of Photography. *W.* (gift to D)	A	B		D
British Medical Journal. *W.*				D
British Weekly. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Broad Arrow. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Builder. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Building News. *W.* ...	A		C	D
Burlington Magazine. *M.*	A			
Bystander. *W.*	A	B		
Cabinet Maker. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Canada. *W.*	A			
Canadian Gazette. *W.*			C	
Canadian Magazine. *M.*	A			
Car. *W.*		B		
Catholic Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Century Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chambers' Journal. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chelsea Mail and West Middlesex Advertiser. *W.*	A			
Chemical News. *W.* ...			C	D
Christian Globe. *W.* (gift)	A			
Christian World. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Chronique, La. *W.* ...	A			
Church Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Church Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
City Press. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Civil Service Candidate. *F.* (gift)			C	
Civil Service Competitor. *W.* (gift)	A			
Civil Service Gazette. *W.* (gift)	A	B		
Civil Service Hints. *W.* (gift)			C	
Civilian. *W.*	A			D
Clerk. *M.*	A			
Clerk of Works Association, Journal of the. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Coach Builders' Art Journal. *M.*				D
Commercial Motor. *W.* (gift)	A			
Connoisseur. *M.* ...	A	B		D
Contemporary Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Contract Journal. *W.* ...			C	D
Co-operative News. *W.*	A			D
Cornhill Magazine. *M.*...	A	B	C	
Country Life. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Cycling. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Daily Chronicle. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Express. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Graphic. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Mail. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Mirror. *D.* ...	A	B		
Daily News and Leader. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Telegraph. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Dalton's Advertiser. *W.*				D
Decorator. *M.*				D
Deutsche Rundschau. *M.*	A			
Draper's Record. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Economist. *W.*	A			D
Edinburgh Review. *Q.*...	A	B	C	D
Education, Journal of. *M.*	A			
Educational Times. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Electrical Review. *W.*...	A		C	D
Electrician. *W.*... ...	A	B	C	D
Empire Review. *M.* ...	A			D
Engineer. *W.* (gift to D)	A		C	D
Engineering. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Engineering Times. *W.*	A			
Engineers, Jnl. of the Society of. *M.* (gift)	A			
English Historical Review. *Q.*				D
English Mechanic. *W.*...	A	B	C	D
English Review. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Englishwoman. *M.* ...	A			D
Epicure. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	
Era. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Essex Review. *Q.* ...				D
Evening News. *D.* ...	A		C	D
Evening Standard and St. James's Gazette. *D.*...	A	B	C	D
Expositor. *M.*				D
Fancy Needlework. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Field. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Figaro, Le. *D.*				D
Financial News. *D.* ...		B	C	
Financial Times. *D.* ...	A			
Food and Cookery. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Fortnightly Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Free Sunday Advocate. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Freeman's Journal. *D.*				D
Freemason. *W.* ...			C	
Gardeners' Chronicle. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		D
Gas Journal. *W.* ...			C	
Gas World. *W.*... ...			C	
Gentlewoman. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Geographical Journal. *M.*	A			
Girl's Own Paper. *M.* ...	A		C	
Glasgow Herald. *D.* ...				D
Globe. *D.*	A	B	C	D

Graphic. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Great Western Railway Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Grocer's Assistant. *M.* (gift)	A			
Guardian. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Harper's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Hearth and Home. *W.*...	A			
Herald of Health. *M.* (gift)	A			
Hibbert Journal. *Q.* ...	A			
Home Counties Magazine. *Q.*	A			
Hospital. *W.*	A			
Humanitarian. *M.* (gift)	A			
Idler. *M.*	A			
Illustrated Carpenter and Builder. *W.*				D
Illustrated London News. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Imperial Colonist. *M.* (gift)				B
Incorporated Accountants' Journal. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Indian Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A			
Insurance Agent and Review. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Insurance Record. *W.* (gift)				D
Irish Times. *D.*... ...				D
Journal des Débats. *D.*...	A			
Knowledge. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Kölnische Zeitung. *W.*...	A			
Labour News. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Ladies' Field. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Lady. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Lady's Pictorial. *W.* (gift to A B)	A	B	C	D
Lady's Realm. *M.* ...	A		C	
Lancet. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Law Journal. *W.* ...				D
Law Times and Reports. *W.*				D
Library. *Q.*	A			
Library Assistant. *M.* ...	A			
Library Association Record. *M.*	A			D
Library World. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Lifeboat. *Q.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Literary World. *M.* ...	A			D
Little Folks. *M.* ...			C	
Liverpool Courier. *D.* ...	A		C	
Local Government Chronicle. *W.* (gift) ...		B	C	D
Local Government Journal. *W.* (gift to C)	A	B	C	D
London County Council Gazette. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
London Crusader. *M.* (gift)	A	B		
London Gazette. *Bi-weekly.*				D
London Observer. (gift)	A	B	C	D
London Temperance Times. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B		
Madame. *W.*				D
Manchester Guardian. *D.*	A		C	
Marylebone Mercury. *W.*		B		
Methodist Recorder. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		
Methodist Times. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		
Middlesex County Times. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Month, The. *M.* ...	A	B		
Montreal Gazette. *D.* (exchange)...			C	
Morley College Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Morning Advertiser. *D.*...			C	
Morning Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Motor. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Boat. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Cycling. *W.* (gift)	A			
Motor Traction. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Municipal Journal *W.*	A	B	C	D
Musical Herald. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Musical Standard. *W.*...	A			
Musical Times. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Musicians, Incorporated Society of, Report. *M.* (gift)			C	
Nation. *W.*	A			
Nation in Arms. *W.* (gift)	A			
National Home Reading Union's Magazines. *M.*	A	B	C	D
National Review. *M.* ...	A		C	D
National Temperance Quarterly. *Q.* (gift) ...	A			
National Zeitung. *D.* ...				D
Nature. *W.*	A	B		D
Navy, The. *M.* (gift to A C)	A		C	D
Navy List. *M.*				D
Navy List. *Q.*	A	B	C	
New Church Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Nineteenth Century and After. *M.*	A	B	C	D
North American Review. *M.*				D

Notes and Queries. *W.*...	A		C	D
Nursing Mirror. *W.* ...	A			
Observer. *W.* (October to March only)	A			D
Orchestral Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A			
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Our Own Gazette (Y.W.C.A.) *M.* (gift)...			C	
Outlook. *W.*	A			
Pall Mall Gazette. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Parents' Review. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Patents: Illus. Official Journal. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
People. *W.* (October to March only)				D
Philanthropist. *M.* (gift)	A			
Photography. *W.* ...			C	
Pitman's Journal. *W.* (gift to A)	A		C	D
Policy. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Poor Law Officer's Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Post Office Guide. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Public Opinion. *W.* ...	A		C	
Publishers' Circular. *W.*	A			D
Punch. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quarterly Review. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Queen. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quiver. *M.*	A	B	C	
Railway Gazette. *W.* (gift)			C	
Railway News. *W.* ...	A			
Record. *W.*	A	B	C	
Review of Reviews. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Revue des deux Mondes. *F.*	A			D
Roman Studies, Jnl. of *H.*	A			
Royal Meteorological Society Journal. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Royal Microscopical Society's Journal (gift)			C	
St. Martin-in-the-Fields Monthly Messenger. *M.* (gift)				D
St. Matthew's Parish Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
St. Nicholas Magazine. *M.*...			C	
Sales and Wants Advertiser. *M.*			C	
Saturday Review. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Schoolmaster. *W.* ...	A			D
Schoolmistress. *W.* ...	A			
Scotsman. *D.*	A			D
Scribner's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Seamen, Registrar-General's return of deaths of. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Secretary. *M.* (gift) ...	A			
Selborne Magazine. *M.* (gift to C.)	A		C	
Shipping Gazette. *D.* ...				D
Shipping Gazette. *W.* ...			C	
Shorthand Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Sketch. *W.*	A	B	C	
Society of Arts Journal. *W.*				D
Son of Temperance. *M.* (gift)	A			
South Africa. *W.* ...			C	
Spectator. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Sphere. *W.*	A	B	C	
Standard. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Standard of Empire. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Star. *D.*	A		C	
State Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A			
Statist. *W.*			C	
Studio. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Sunday at Home. *M.* ...	A	B	C	
Sunday Times. *W.* (October to March only) ...	A			D
Surveying and Housing World. *W.* (gift) ...	A		C	
System. *M.*	A			
Table. *W.*	A			
Tablet. *W.*	A	B		D
Tatler. *W.*	A	B	C	
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Tenison's School Magazine. *Q.* (gift) ...				D
Territorial Service Gazette. *W.*			C	
Textile Recorder. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Timber. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
Times. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Toronto Globe. *D.* (exchange)...	A			
Toronto News. *D.* (exchange)				D
Trades and Labour Gazette. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Tramway and Railway World. *M.* (gift) ...			C	D
Traveller's Gazette. *M.* (gift)			C	
Treasury. *M.*		B	C	

Truth. *W.*	A B C D
United Empire. *M.* (gift)	A C D
University Correspondent. *F.* (gift)	A B C
Vanity Fair. *W.* ...	A B C
Westermanns Deutsche Monatshefte. *M.* ...	A
Western Daily Mercury. *D.*	C
Westminster and Pimlico News. *W.*	A B C D
Westminster Express. *W.*	A B C D
Westminster Gazette. *D.*	A B C D
Westminster Mail. *W.*...	A B C D
Westminster Review. *M.*	A D
Women's Employment, *F.*	A
Women's Industrial News. *Q.*	C
Work. *W.*	C D
Work. *M.*	A B
World. *W.*	A B C D
World's Work and Play. *M.*	A B D
Yorkshire Post. *D.* ...	A C
Young England. *M.* ...	A
Zoophilist. *M.* (gift) ...	A

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Belgian State Railways	A B C D
Caledonian	A C D
Glasgow & South Western	A C D
Great Central	A B C D
Great Eastern	A B C D
Great Northern ...	A B C D
Great Western... ...	A B C D
Highland	B
Lancashire & Yorkshire	D
London & North-Western	A B C D
London & South-Western	A B C D
London, Brighton & South Coast... ...	A B C D
London County Council List of Workmen's Trains and Trams ...	A B C D
London, Tilbury & Southend	D
Metropolitan	D
Midland	A B C D
North British	A B C D
North Eastern... ...	A
South Eastern & Chatham	A B C D
Zeeland Steamship Co.	A

STATEMENT OF

EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

AND

PARTICULARS OF LOANS.

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1912.

EXPENDITURE.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	Trevor Square Property.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	General.	Total Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fittings and Repairs... ...	241 14 6	42 6 1	335 17 7	—	112 10 10	—	732 9 0
Books and Catalogues ...	—	—	—	—	—	1,248 7 2	1,248 7 2
Bookbinding	127 18 5	38 16 1	52 7 1	—	62 19 0	—	282 0 7
Newspapers and Periodicals...	143 17 4	71 12 8	118 6 5	—	114 19 0	—	448 15 5
Salaries and Wages	1,331 19 10	646 0 2	904 7 3	—	1,155 0 6	620 0 0	4,657 7 9
Printing and Stationery ...	61 19 10	11 7 7	20 9 4	—	49 4 5	15 18 4	158 19 6
Fuel, Light and Water ...	208 16 5	118 16 5	147 7 8	—	156 3 1	—	631 3 7
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurance	213 14 5	204 6 11	176 2 8	5 5 0	163 19 11	—	763 8 11
Cleaning Materials	36 13 1	15 18 10	30 17 4	—	21 5 5	29 12 0	134 6 8
Postage and Office Expenses	12 5 1	1 8 4	4 18 7	—	3 4 11	4 18 4	26 15 3
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	—	301 13 0	301 13 0
Miscellaneous...	22 2 8	13 7 3	11 6 9	—	14 18 3	1 5 0	62 19 11
	2,401 1 7	1,164 0 4	1,802 0 8	5 5 0	1,854 5 4	2,221 13 10	9,448 6 9
Mortgage Loan Charges ...	789 19 4	325 6 0	318 12 6	—	763 9 0	—	2,197 6 10
£	3,191 0 11	1,489 6 4	2,120 13 2	5 5 0	2,617 14 4	2,221 13 10	11,645 13 7

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1912.

INCOME.

	£ s. d.	Buckingham Palace Road Library. £ s. d.	South Audley Street Library. £ s. d.	Great Smith Street Library. £ s. d.	Trevor Square Property. £ s. d.	St. Martin's Lane Library. £ s. d.	Totals. £ s. d.	Totals. £ s. d.
Fines...		63 4 1	24 17 4	46 3 9	—	58 16 8	193 1 10	
Catalogues		11 19 7	3 14 6	8 9 4	—	10 8 6	34 11 11	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	—	—	100 0 0	
Interest on Investment		80 8 8	—	—	—	—	80 8 8	
Donations and Miscellaneous ...		20 16 2	6 13 1	9 17 2	—	15 18 5	53 4 10	
		276 8 6	35 4 11	64 10 3	—	85 3 7	461 7 3	461 7 3
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—								
St. George, Hanover Square	4,184 6 4							
St. Margaret and St. John ...	2,132 0 0							
St. Peter (Collegiate Close) ...	8 0 0							
St. James	2,015 0 0							
St. Anne, Soho	423 0 0							
St. Martin-in-the-Fields ...	1,419 0 0							
St. Clement Danes	491 0 0							
St. Mary-le-Strand	115 0 0							
St. Paul, Covent Garden ...	247 0 0							
Liberty of the Rolls	102 0 0							
Precinct of the Savoy... ...	48 0 0							
								11,184 6 4
								£ 11,645 13 7

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1912.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Interest.
	£			Y'rs		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	7,686 8 1	525 10 0	264 9 4	7,160 18 1	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	2,247 2 8	139 1 2	77 15 8	2,108 1 6	3½
Ditto	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	1,123 11 8	69 10 7	38 18 7	1,054 1 1	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN:—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	2,563 0 0	233 0 0	85 12 6	2,330 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS:—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	6,100 5 3	127 11 7	212 8 1	5,972 13 8	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	2,763 18 1	284 9 6	94 5 6	2,479 8 7	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	340 4 0	32 16 2	11 18 2	307 7 10	3½
£	43,390				£	22,824 9 9	1,411 19 0	785 7 10	21,412 10 9	

WM. CULSHAW, *City Comptroller.*

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

REPORT

OF THE

Public Libraries Committee

FOR THE YEAR

1912-1913.

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CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

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City of Westminster.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1912, to 31st March, 1913.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—During the year there have been added to the Libraries 3,321 volumes, of which number 205 were gifts. This is about 500 more than were added in the previous year, when the cost per volume was unusually high. The general tendency, however, is towards a steady decrease in the accession of new books. This is partly owing to the yearly increasing demand for the replacement of soiled and worn-out copies of popular books, but mainly to the greater cost of new books, as was pointed out in the last report. Notwithstanding that this statement was challenged by publishers, the fact remains that the average cost per volume of our accessions ten years ago was about 5*s.*, it is now about 6*s.* 6*d.* The claim of publishers that they provide cheaper literature than ever before is only partially true. The cheap reprints, however good they may be, are seldom suitable for public library requirements, and new publications, almost invariably not subject to discount, are proportionately more costly than were similar books published ten years ago.

The number of volumes withdrawn from circulation, for various reasons, was 237, and the total net stock at 31st March, 1913, was 122,823 volumes, located as follows :—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	14,331	26,271	40,602
South Audley Street Library	1,803	14,784	16,587
Great Smith Street Library	7,097	22,085	29,182
St. Martin's Lane Library	20,542	15,910	36,452
TOTALS	43,773	79,050	122,823

RENEWALS.—The renewals of worn-out copies numbered 2,108, an increase of 276. To keep the old stock clean and in good condition is a duty even more important than the provision of new books, and this demand must grow from year to year with the growth of the libraries.

ISSUE OF BOOKS.—The use of the reference libraries is naturally on the increase, as the collections become larger and more valuable. The issues therefrom last year were 196,682, being 1,275 more than the year before. In the lending libraries a slight decrease is shown, the number of books borrowed falling to 328,566, being 2,166 below the previous year. It is impossible to give any reason either for increases or decreases in the issues of these departments, affected as they are by so many obscure causes. The loss of books through default of borrowers remains negligible, being this year only three volumes, valued at 13*s*.

NUMBER OF BORROWERS.—New tickets have been issued to 6,453 borrowers. The total number now upon the register is 12,302, holding 17,124 tickets. The figures are slightly above those of last year.

TOTAL ATTENDANCES.—Occasional daily counts are taken of the visitors to the libraries, and it has been customary to estimate from these results the total yearly

attendance. The fluctuations in the number of news-room visitors from day to day are extreme, owing to a variety of causes, and it would be unsafe to base any general conclusions upon a small number of counts, but in all probability the libraries are used annually by upwards of two and a half million persons, and this figure does not vary much from year to year.

SUNDAY OPENING.—Two of the libraries, *viz.*, Buckingham Palace Road and St. Martin's Lane, are open on Sunday evenings during the winter months. In the season under review the attendance at Buckingham Palace Road was slightly above that of the previous year, but at St. Martin's Lane a decrease is shown. The full return will be found on p. 13.

CLASS OF READING.—In previous reports attention has been drawn to the low and decreasing percentage of fiction read, as contradicting the charges, so frequently met with, that public libraries are little used but by novel readers. The percentage of fiction to all other classes of the issues remains at the previous year's low level—between 35 and 36. Even if we exclude all reference library issues the percentage is no greater than 57, a remarkably low figure when the quick turnover of novels is borne in mind.

CATALOGUES.—The catalogue of Music and the Literature of Music in the Buckingham Palace Road Library, published in November, 1911, rapidly sold out, and a new edition was called for. The opportunity was taken to augment the collection, which now includes about 1,300 volumes.

PORTRAIT OF THE LATE ALDERMAN R. C. ANTROBUS.—Some friends and colleagues of the late

Alderman Robert Crawfurd Antrobus, J.P., L.C.C., the first Chairman of the libraries established for the parish of St. George, Hanover Square, to whose public spirited energy their inception was so largely due, subscribed for a portrait to be presented to the City Council. The picture, a highly successful piece of portraiture by Miss Catherine Ouless, is now hung in the reference department of the Buckingham Palace Road Library, as a memorial to one who gave assiduous and loyal service in public affairs and held a high place in the regard of his fellow citizens. An illustration of the portrait appears as a frontispiece to this report.

FINANCIAL.—The City Comptroller's Statements of Account are submitted, following the various statistical tables.

On behalf of the Committee,

F. HARCOURT HILLERSDON,
Chairman.

FRANK PACY,
Librarian.

July, 1913.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1912	13,943	25,193	1,777	14,474	7,013	21,732	20,191	15,416	119,739
Since withdrawn	6	1	—	—	—	107	117	6	237
Do. transferred	8	—	—	—	—	16	—	—	24
	13,929	25,192	1,777	14,474	7,013	21,609	20,074	15,410	119,478
Added, 1912-1913	402	1,079	18	310	68	476	468	500	3,321
Do. do. by transfer	—	—	8	--	16	—	—	—	24
Total at 31st March, 1913	14,331	26,271	1,803	14,784	7,097	22,085	20,542	15,910	122,823
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	40,602		16,587		29,182		36,452		

Combined Totals ... ..

Reference Libraries	43,773
Lending Libraries	79,050
Total Volumes ...	122,823

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
Buckingham Palace Road Library:—													
Reference Department ...	91	686	2,020	842	418	1,771	1,753	4,552	—	2,198	—	14,331	40,602
Lending Department ...	275	1,123	1,035	1,068	403	2,050	3,747	6,797	6,376	820	2,577	26,271	
South Audley Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	92	184	81	64	226	370	531	—	243	--	1,803	16,587
Lending Department ...	111	501	421	635	217	722	1,818	3,959	4,336	609	1,455	14,784	
Great Smith Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	191	468	169	1,782	283	2,264	1,809	—	119	—	7,097	29,182
Lending Department ...	194	1,227	972	1,109	620	614	2,921	6,862	4,615	1,706	1,245	22,085	
St. Martin's Lane Library:—													
Reference Department ...	88	1,040	2,791	1,121	547	1,346	1,866	6,056	—	5,687	—	20,542	36,452
Lending Department ...	179	562	787	835	333	788	2,160	4,377	4,512	15	1,362	15,910	
Summary:—													
Reference Libraries ...	203	2,009	5,463	2,213	2,811	3,626	6,253	12,948	--	8,247	—	43,773	122,823
Lending Libraries	759	3,413	3,215	3,647	1,573	4,174	10,646	21,995	19,839	3,150	6,639	79,050	
Totals	962	5,422	8,678	5,860	4,384	7,800	16,899	34,943	19,839	11,397	6,639	122,823	

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 31st, 1913.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	37,589	110,129	147,718
South Audley Street Library	11,213	38,977	50,190
Great Smith Street Library	41,859	81,991	123,850
St. Martin's Lane Library	106,021	97,469	203,490
Totals	196,682	328,566	525,248

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on pages 10 and 11.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	600,000
South Audley Street...	410,000
Great Smith Street	580,000
St. Martin's Lane	880,000
Total	2,470,000

CLASSIFICATION OF THE

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	293	308	1,105	3,728	1,293	1,880
Lending Department	267½	643	1,035	1,365	1,764	1,380
	—	951	2,140	5,093	3,057	3,260
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	292	54	178	804	156	608
Lending Department	265½	125	252	547	512	498
	—	179	430	1,351	668	1,106
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	298	62	538	6,718	615	1,191
Lending Department	265	206	807	1,289	1,390	1,805
	—	268	1,345	8,007	2,005	2,996
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY :—						
Reference Department	300	805	1,252	14,682	3,798	2,968
Lending Department	268½	571	1,183	3,026	3,009	1,827
	—	1,376	2,435	17,708	6,807	4,795
SUMMARY :—						
Reference Libraries	—	1,229	3,073	25,932	5,862	6,647
Lending Libraries	—	1,545	3,277	6,227	6,675	5,510
Totals	—	2,774	6,350	32,159	12,537	12,157
Percentage in each class... ...	—	·53	1·21	6·14	2·39	2·32

ISSUES (EXCLUDING SUNDAYS).

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
4,998	7,001	8,941	—	7,619	—	36,873	126
6,041	8,951	13,020	61,658	1,432	12,840	110,129	412
11,039	15,952	21,961	61,658	9,051	12,840	147,002	538
672	1,726	2,270	—	4,745	—	11,213	38
1,366	2,527	4,177	23,917	1,105	3,951	38,977	147
2,038	4,253	6,447	23,917	5,850	3,951	50,190	185
714	2,606	15,711	—	13,704	—	41,859	140
1,475	3,587	7,738	50,197	2,969	10,528	81,991	309
2,189	6,193	23,449	50,197	16,673	10,528	123,850	449
5,324	9,102	33,066	—	34,246	—	105,243	351
4,791	9,446	12,055	52,135	40	9,386	97,469	363
10,115	18,548	45,121	52,135	34,286	9,386	202,712	714
11,708	20,435	59,988	—	60,314	—	195,188	—
13,673	24,511	36,990	187,907	5,546	36,705	328,566	—
25,381	44,946	96,978	187,907	65,860	36,705	523,754	—
4·85	8·58	18·52	35·88	12·57	7·01	100·00	—

ISSUES OF BOOKS ON SUNDAYS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARIES.

(6 Months—October to March, between 6 and 9.30 each Sunday evening.)

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Totals.	Average per Sunday, 1912-13.	*Average per Sunday, 1911-12.*
Buckingham Palace Road Library	25	3	10	78	16	62	91	145	227	84	716	28	*28*
St. Martin's Lane Library	25	2	6	100	47	32	52	61	260	218	778	31	*34*
Totals	—	5	16	178	63	94	143	206	487	302	1,494	—	—

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES.

Month	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Totals.	Daily Average.	
No. of Sundays Open ...	4	4	5	4	4	4	25	1912–13	*1911–12.*
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD:—									
Reference Library	55	68	77	62	77	58	397	16	*16*
Magazine Room	185	210	257	209	210	214	1,285	51	*51*
Reading Room	583	725	757	688	649	711	4,113	165	*163*
Whole Building	693	839	890	813	785	882	4,902	196	*194*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	173	210	178	203	196	220	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1911–12 ...	*178*	*206*	*179*	*212*	*190*	*201*	—	—	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE:—									
Reference Library	94	109	103	85	113	100	604	24	*24*
Reading Room	582	548	718	502	521	474	3,345	134	*177*
Whole Building	692	668	825	567	636	563	3,951	158	*205*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	173	167	165	142	159	141	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1911–12 ...	*214*	*192*	*181*	*221*	*220*	*202*	—	—	—
Total Attendances (2 Libraries) ...	1,385	1,507	1,715	1,380	1,421	1,445	8,853 (25 Sundays.)	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1911–12 ...	*1,961*	*1,593*	*1,439*	*1,733*	*1,640*	*2,014*	*10,380 (26 Sundays.)*	—	—

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1912)	5,453	1,834	4,159	5,407	16,853
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	2,942	1,011	2,017	2,759	8,729
	2,511	823	2,142	2,648	8,124
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to 6,453 Borrowers, of whom 2,547 hold an extra Student's Ticket	2,883	969	2,104	3,044	9,000
	5,394	1,792	4,246	5,692	17,124

Analysis.

Adult Borrowers	3,805	1,324	3,026	3,329	11,484
Juvenile Borrowers (under 13 years of age)	222	104	297	195	818
Total Borrowers	4,027	1,428	3,323	3,524	12,302
Students' Tickets	1,367	364	923	2,168	4,822
	5,394	1,792	4,246	5,692	17,124

Particulars as to New Borrowers enrolled during the Year 1912–1913.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—													
Conduit Ward	—	1	2	12	48	66	—	—	—	1	3	6	139
Grosvenor Ward	1	—	—	68	334	102	—	—	1	1	2	—	509
Knightsbridge Ward	45	218	4	—	6	4	—	1	—	—	2	—	280
Victoria Ward	245	1,223	65	—	—	—	8	70	—	1	9	—	1,621
St. Margaret and St. John :—													
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	—	19	1	2	13	—	1	—	—	2	5	—	43
St. John Ward	18	111	4	—	1	—	158	638	109	1	7	—	1,047
St. Margaret Ward	12	60	56	—	2	5	36	109	535	2	2	163	982
St. Martin and St. Paul :—													
Charing Cross Ward	—	—	9	—	—	—	1	3	3	20	69	390	495
Covent Garden Ward	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	3	48	165	285	504
St. James :—													
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	—	—	4	13	7	—	—	—	6	57	10	97
Pall Mall Ward	—	3	4	2	5	4	—	—	1	10	25	60	114
Regent Ward	—	—	2	8	19	22	—	—	1	12	48	68	180
Other Strand Parishes :—													
St. Anne Ward	—	—	1	2	4	—	—	—	—	25	135	38	205
Strand Ward	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	2	3	6	11	209	237
	321	1,635	154	98	445	211	204	825	656	135	540	1,229	6,453

Summary :—Ratepayers, 758 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,445 ; Non-Resident Employés, 2,250* ; Total, 6,453.

* Of the 2,250 Non-Resident Borrowers 964 are Civil Servants.

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1912-1913.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	124	60	128	117	429
13 to 16	230	56	193	156	635
16 to 18	100	37	142	162	441
18 to 21	168	59	212	258	697
Above 21	1,488	542	1,010	1,211	4,251
Totals	2,110	754	1,685	1,904	6,453
Sexes.					
Males :—					
Adults	945	347	1,053	1,373	3,718
Juveniles	76	28	55	57	216
Totals	1,021	375	1,108	1,430	3,934
Females :—					
Adults	1,041	347	504	414	2,306
Juveniles	48	32	73	60	213
Totals	1,089	379	577	474	2,519

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St. Louis (Mercantile Library).
Salem, U.S.A.
Salford.
Scranton, U.S.A.
Shoreditch.
Smethwick.
South Shields.
Southwark.
Stafford.
Tokyo (Imperial Library).
Toronto.
Tottenham.
Wandsworth.
Washington (Library of Congress).
Watford.
West Bromwich.
West Hartlepool.
Widnes.
Wigan.
Willesden Green.
Wimbledon.
Windsor (Ontario).
Worcester.
Workington.
York.

DONORS OF BOOKS, &c.—*continued.*

Lobley, Prof. J. L., F.G.S. (author).
London, Brighton & South Coast Railway Co.
London College of Music.
London, Corporation of.
London County Council.
London Directory Co., Ltd.

Marriott, Mr. G. W.
Masse, Miss.
Massachusetts General Hospital.
Mitchell & Co., Ltd. (publishers).
Musicians, Incorporated Society of.

National Health Insurance Commission.
Navy Records Society.
New South Wales, Agent-General for.
New Zealand, Registrar-General of.
Northampton, Borough of.
Nova Scotia, Agent-General for.

Oakenfull, Mr. J. C. (author).

Pilleau, Col. H. G.
Pownall, Rev. E. W.
Preston, Mr. E.

Roper-Caldbeck, Major W. (author).
Royal College of Physicians.
Royal Colonial Institute.
Royal Insurance Co., Ltd.
Russell, Hon. R. (author).

Schooling, Mr. J. Holt (author).
South Australia, Agent-General for.
South Western Polytechnic Institute.
Soyer-Le Roy, Mme. (author).
Stationery Office, H.M.
Stevens & Sons, Ltd., Messrs.
Stubbs' Publishing Co., Ltd.

Thorold, Mrs.

Union of Graduates of Music.
U.S.A., Coast & Geodetic Survey.
U.S.A., Dept. of the Interior.
Universal Cookery & Food Association.
UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES:—
CALENDARS AND EXAMINATION PAPERS:—
Durham University.
Royal University of Ireland.
Trinity College, London.
University College of Wales.
University College of North Wales.
University Tutorial Press, Ltd.

Vere, Very Rev. Canon.
Victoria, Agent-General for.

Waylen, Mr. H. (author).
Willett, Mr. Wm. (author).
Women's Industrial Council.

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS TAKEN AT THE LIBRARIES.

A means taken at Buckingham Palace Road Library.
B ,, ,, South Audley Street Library.
C ,, ,, Great Smith Street Library.
D ,, ,, St. Martin's Lane Library.

D.—Daily. *W.*—Weekly. *F.*—Fortnightly. *M.*—Monthly. *Q.*—Quarterly. *H.*—Half-yearly.

A.B.C. Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Academic Gazette. *H.* (gift)	A		C	
Academy. *W.*	A		C	D
Accountant. *W.* (gift) ...				D
Accountants' (Associated) Journal. *Q.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Aero, *M.*	A		C	D
Agricultural Economist. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Agriculture, Journal of Board of. *M.*... ...	A			
Amateur Photographer. *W.* (gift to D)	A			D
Anglo-Russian. *M.* (gift)	A			
Anti-Slavery Reporter. *Q.* (gift)	A	B		
Antiquary. *M.*				D
Arbitrator. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B		D
Architect and Contract Reporter. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Arena. *M.*	A			
Army and Navy Chronicle *M.*	A			
Army and Navy Gazette. *W.*	A			D
Army List. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Art Decoratif, L'. *M.* ...				D
Art Decorator. *M.* ...				D
Aspirant (Civil Service Guide). *F.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	
Athenæum. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Atlantic Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Australasian World. *W.*	A	B		D
Baptist Times. *W.* ...		B		
Bibliographical Society's News Sheets. *M.* ...				D
Birmingham Daily Post. *D.*	A			
Birmingham Gazette. *D.*			C	
Blackwood's Magazine. *M.*	A		C	D
Board of Trade Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Board of Trade Labour Gazette. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Book Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Bookman. *M.*	A		C	D
Books of To-day. *M.* ...	A			
Bookseller. *W.*	A			
Boy's Own Paper. *M.*...	A		C	
Bradshaw's Continental Guide	A	B	C	D
Bradshaw's Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
British Architect. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
British Australasian. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	D

British Columbia Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...	A			
British Journal of Photography. *W.* (gift to D)	A	B		D
British Medical Journal. *W.*				D
British Weekly. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Broad Arrow. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Builder. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Building News. *W.* ...	A		C	D
Burlington Magazine. *M.*	A			
Bystander. *W.*	A	B	C	
Cabinet Maker. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Canada. *W.*	A			
Canadian Gazette. *W.*			C	
Canadian Magazine. *M.*	A			
Car. *W.*		B		
Catholic Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Century Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chambers' Journal. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chelsea Mail and West Middlesex Advertiser. *W.*	A			
Chemical News. *W.* ...			C	D
Christian World. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Chronique, La. *W.* ...	A			
Church Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Church Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
City Press. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Civil Service Candidate. *F.* (gift)			C	
Civil Service Gazette. *W.* (gift)	A	B		
Civil Service Hints. *W.* (gift)			C	
Civilian. *W.*	A			D
Clerk. *M.*	A			
Clerk of Works Association, Journal of the. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Coach Builders' Art Journal. *M.*				D
Commercial Motor. *W.* (gift)	A			
Connoisseur. *M.* ...	A	B		D
Contemporary Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Contract Journal. *W.* ...			C	D
Co-operative News. *W.*	A			D
Cornhill Magazine. *M.*...	A	B	C	
Country Life. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Cycling. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Daily Chronicle. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Express. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Graphic. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Herald. *D* ...			C	
Daily Mail. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Mirror. *D.* ...	A	B		
Daily News and Leader. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Telegraph. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Dalton's Advertiser. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Decorator. *M.*				D
Deutsche Rundschau. *M.*	A			
Draper's Record. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Economist. *W.*	A			D
Edinburgh Review. *Q.*...	A	B	C	D
Education, Journal of. *M.*	A			
Educational Review. *M.*	A	B	C	
Educational Times. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Electrical Review. *W.*...	A		C	D
Electrician. *W.*... ...	A	B	C	D
Empire Review. *M.* ...	A			D
Engineer. *W.* (gift to D)	A		C	D
Engineering. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Engineering Times. *W.*	A			
Engineers, Jnl. of the Society of. *M.* (gift)	A			
English Historical Review. *Q.*				D
English Mechanic. *W.*...	A	B	C	D
English Review. *M.* ..	A		C	D
Englishwoman. *M.* ...	A			D
Epicure. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	
Era. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Essex Review. *Q.* ...				D
Evening News. *D.* ...	A		C	D
Evening Standard and St. James's Gazette. *D.*...	A	B	C	D
Everyman. *W.*	A			D
Expositor. *M.*				D
Fancy Needlework. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Field. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Figaro, Le. *D.*				D
Financial News. *D.* ...		B	C	
Financial Times. *D.* ...	A			
Food and Cookery. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Fortnightly Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Free Sunday Advocate. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Freeman's Journal. *D.*				D
Freemason. *W.* ...			C	
Gardeners' Chronicle. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		D
Gas Journal. *W.* ...			C	
Gas World. *W.*... ...			C	
Gentlewoman. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Geographical Journal. *M.*	A			

Girl's Own Paper. *M.* ...	A		C	
Girls' Club News. *M.* (gift)	A			
Glasgow Herald. *D.* ...				D
Globe. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Graphic. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Great Western Railway Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Guardian. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Harper's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Hearth and Home. *W.*...	A			
Herald of Health. *M.* (gift)	A			
Hibbert Journal. *Q.* ...	A			
Hospital. *W.*	A			
Humanitarian. *M.* (gift)	A			
Idler. *M.*	A			
Illustrated Carpenter and Builder. *W.*				D
Illustrated London News. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Imperial Colonist. *M.* (gift)		B		
Incorporated Accountants' Journal. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Indian Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A			
Insurance Agent and Review. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Insurance Record. *W.* (gift)				D
Irish Independent. *D.* (gift)	A			
Irish Times. *D.*... ...				D
Journal des Débats. *D.*...	A			
Knowledge. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Kölnische Zeitung. *W.*...	A			
Labour News. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Ladies' Field. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Lady. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Lady's Pictorial. *W.* (gift to A B)	A	B	C	D
Lady's Realm. *M.* ...	A		C	
Lancet. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Law Journal. *W.* ...				D
Law Times and Reports. *W.*				D
Library. *Q.*	A			
Library Assistant. *M.* ...	A			
Library Association Record. *M.*	A			D
Library World. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Lifeboat. *Q.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Literary World. *M.* ...	A			D
Little Folks. *M.* ...			C	
Liverpool Courier. *D.* ...	A		C	
Local Government Chronicle. *W.* (gift) ...		B	C	D
Local Government Journal. *W.* (gift to C)	A	B	C	D
London County Council Gazette. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
London Crusader. *M.* (gift)	A	B		
London Gazette. *Bi-weekly.*				D
London Observer. (gift)	A	B	C	D
London Temperance Times. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B		
Madame. *W.*				D
Manchester Guardian. *D.*	A		C	
Marylebone Mercury. *W.*		B		
Methodist Recorder. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		
Methodist Times. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		
Middlesex County Times. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Month. The. *M.* ...	A	B		
Montreal Gazette. *D.* (exchange)...			C	
Morley College Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Morning Advertiser. *D.*...			C	D
Morning Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Motor. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Boat. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Cycling. *W.* (gift)	A			
Motor Traction. *W.* (gift)	A			D
Municipal Journal *W.*	A	B	C	D
Musical Herald. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Musical Standard. *W.*...	A			
Musical Times. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Musicians, Incorporated Society of, Report. *M.* (gift)			C	
Nation. *W.*	A			D
Nation in Arms. *W.* (gift)	A			
National Home Reading Union's Magazines. *M.*	A	B	C	D
National Review. *M.* ...	A		C	D
National Temperance Quarterly. *Q.* (gift) ...	A			
National Zeitung. *D.* ...				D
Nature. *W.*	A	B		D
Navy, The. *M.* (gift to A C)	A		C	D
Navy List. *M.*				D
Navy List. *Q.*	A	B	C	
New Church Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
New Statesman. *W.* ..	A			
Nineteenth Century and After. *M.*	A	B	C	D

North American Review. *M.*				D
Notes and Queries. *W.*...	A		C	D
Nursing Mirror. *W.* ...	A			
Observer. *W.* (October to March only)	A			D
Orchestral Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A			
Organist and Choirmaster. *M.*				D
Our Own Gazette (Y.W.C.A.) *M.* (gift)...			C	
Outlook. *W.*	A			
Pall Mall Gazette. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Parents' Review. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Passenger's Companion. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
Patents : Illus. Official Journal. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
People. *W.* (October to March only)				D
Philanthropist. *M.* (gift)	A			
Photography. *W.* ...			C	
Pitman's Journal. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B	C	D
Policy. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Poor Law Officer's Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Post Office Guide. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Public Opinion. *W.* ...	A		C	
Publishers' Circular. *W.*	A			D
Punch. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quarterly Review. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Queen. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quiver. *M.*	A	B	C	
Railway Gazette. *W.* (gift)			C	
Railway News. *W.* ...	A			
Railway Review. *W.* (gift)			C	D
Record. *W.*	A	B	C	
Review of Reviews. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Revue des deux Mondes. *F.*	A			D
Roman Studies, Jnl. of *H.*	A			
Royal Meteorological Society Journal. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Royal Microscopical Society's Journal (gift)			C	
St. Martin-in-the-Fields Monthly Messenger. *M.* (gift)				D
St. Matthew's Parish Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
St. Nicholas Magazine. *M.*...				C
Sales and Wants Advertiser. *M.*				C
Saturday Review. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Schoolmaster. *W.* ...	A			D
Schoolmistress. *W.* ...	A			
Scotsman. *D.*	A			D
Scribner's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Seamen, Registrar - General's return of deaths of. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Secretary. *M.* (gift) ...	A			
Selborne Magazine. *M.* (gift to C.)	A		C	
Shipping Gazette. *D.* ...				D
Shipping Gazette. *W.* ...			C	
Shorthand Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Sketch. *W.*	A	B	C	
Society of Arts Journal. *W.*				D
Son of Temperance. *M.* (gift)	A			
South Africa. *W.* ...			C	
South Wales Daily News. *D.*	A			
Spectator. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Sphere. *W.*	A	B	C	
Standard. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Star. *D.*	A		C	
State Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A			
Statist. *W.*			C	
Studio. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Sunday at Home. *M.* ...	A	B	C	
Sunday Times. *W.* (October to March only) ...	A			D
Surveying and Housing World. *W.* (gift) ...	A		C	
System. *M.*	A			
Table. *W.*	A			
Tablet. *W.*	A	B		D
Tatler. *W.*	A	B	C	
Temperance Chronicle. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
Tenison's School Magazine. *Q.* (gift) ...				D
Territorial Service Gazette. *W.*			C	
Textile Recorder. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Throne. *W.*	A			
Timber. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
Times. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Toronto Globe. *D.* (exchange)...	A			
Toronto News. *D.* (exchange)				D

Trades and Labour Gazette. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Tramway and Railway World. *M.* (gift) ...			C	D
Traveller's Gazette. *M.* (gift)			C	
Treasury. *M.*		B	C	
Truth. *W.*	A	B	C	D
United Empire. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
University Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Vanity Fair. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Westermanns Monatshefte. *M.*	A			
Western Daily Mercury. *D.*			C	
Westminster and Pimlico News. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Express. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Gazette. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Mail. *W.*...	A		C	D
Westminster Review. *M.*	A			D
Women's Employment, *F.*	A			
Women's Industrial News. *Q.*			C	
Work. *W.*			C	D
Work. *M.*	A	B		
World. *W.*	A	B	C	D
World's Work and Play. *M.*	A	B		D
Yorkshire Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	
Young England. *M.* ...	A			
Zoophilist. *M.* (gift) ...	A			

Railway Time Tables (supplied by the respective companies)—

Belgian State Railways	A	B	C	D
Caledonian	A		C	D
Glasgow & South Western	A		C	D
Great Central	A	B	C	D
Great Eastern	A	B	C	D
Great Northern ...	A	B	C	D
Great Western... ...	A	B	C	D
Highland		B		
Lancashire & Yorkshire				D
London & North-Western	A	B	C	D
London & South-Western	A	B	C	D
London, Brighton & South Coast... ...	A	B	C	D
London County Council List of Workmen's Trains and Trams ...	A	B	C	D
London, Tilbury & Southend				D
Metropolitan				D
Midland	A	B	C	D
North British	A	B	C	D
North Eastern... ...	A			
South Eastern & Chatham	A	B	C	D
Zeeland Steamship Co.	A			

STATEMENT OF

EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

AND

PARTICULARS OF LOANS.

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1913.

EXPENDITURE.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	General.	Total Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fittings and Repairs	200 1 9	108 15 3	253 7 9	105 15 3	—	668 0 0
Books and Catalogues	—	—	—	—	1,268 1 8	1,268 1 8
Bookbinding	160 4 0	43 4 3	102 0 4	133 16 2	—	439 4 9
Newspapers and Periodicals	141 12 5	74 13 2	118 4 0	115 6 10	—	449 16 5
Salaries and Wages...	1,388 5 2	669 10 10	969 5 9	1,204 17 2	675 0 0	4,906 18 11
Printing and Stationery	61 5 0	13 16 10	25 15 9	52 3 1	26 11 6	179 12 2
Fuel, Light and Water	183 3 7	108 2 9	148 13 9	127 3 3	—	567 3 4
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurances ...	214 7 5	204 6 11	167 15 7	163 19 11	—	750 9 10
Cleaning Materials	32 2 6	14 5 8	29 16 6	20 8 4	—	96 13 0
Postage and Office Expenses	11 4 10	1 6 0	3 14 10	3 4 4	21 13 11	41 3 11
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	301 13 0	301 13 0
Miscellaneous...	16 11 3	13 14 3	19 19 2	9 19 8	16 5 6	76 9 10
	2,408 17 11	1,251 15 11	1,838 13 5	1,936 14 0	2,309 5 7	9,745 6 10
Mortgage Loan Charges	789 19 4	325 5 4	310 9 6	763 9 0	—	2,189 3 2
£	3,198 17 3	1,577 1 3	2,149 2 11	2,700 3 0	2,309 5 7	11,934 10 0

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1913.

INCOME.

		Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fines...		62 19 1	25 4 7	46 4 9	57 8 3	191 16 8	
Catalogues		7 19 8	4 9 1	4 12 8	9 7 0	26 8 5	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	—	100 0 0	
Interest on Investment		80 8 8	—	—	—	80 8 8	
Donations and Miscellaneous		27 0 8	3 19 2	6 5 5	24 17 6	62 2 9	
		278 8 1	33 12 10	57 2 10	91 12 9	460 16 6	460 16 6
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—							
St. George, Hanover Square	4,279 13 6						
St. Margaret and St. John	2,171 0 0						
St. Peter (Collegiate Close)...	8 0 0						
St. James	2,102 0 0						
St. Anne, Soho	435 0 0						
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	1,443 0 0						
St. Clement Danes	511 0 0						
St. Mary-le-Strand	115 0 0						
St. Paul, Covent Garden	252 0 0						
Liberty of the Rolls	103 0 0						
Precinct of the Savoy	54 0 0						11,473 13 6
						£	11,934 10 0

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1913.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Interest.
	£			Y'rs		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	7,160 18 1	544 1 0	245 18 4	6,616 17 1	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	2,108 1 6	143 19 9	72 17 1	1,964 1 9	3½
Ditto	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	1,054 1 1	71 19 11	36 8 7	982 1 2	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN :—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	2,330 0 0	233 0 0	77 9 6	2,097 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS :—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	5,972 13 8	132 1 7	207 18 1	5,840 12 1	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	2,479 8 7	294 10 5	84 4 7	2,184 18 2	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	307 7 10	33 19 2	10 15 2	273 8 8	3½
	£ 43,390					£ 21,412 10 9	1,453 11 10	735 11 4	19,958 18 11	

WM. CULSHAW, *City Comptroller.*

THE
HANCRERAR
LIBRARY

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

REPORT

OF THE

Public Libraries Committee

FOR THE YEAR

1913-1914.

COMMITTEE:

The Mayor:

Councillor E. W. GRANVILLE-SMITH, J.P., L.C.C.
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Rev. F. HARCOURT HILLERSDON, M.A., J.P.

Vice-Chairman:

Councillor HORATIO C. RUSSELL.

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CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

REPORT

OF THE

Public Libraries Committee

FOR THE YEAR

1913-1914.

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City of Westminster.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1913, to 31st March, 1914.

ACCESSIONS.—The number of books in the libraries has been increased during the year by the addition of 3,672 volumes: 203 of these being gifts from various sources. The purchases were about 350 volumes more than in the previous year.

DONATIONS.—The donations are of small importance, being few in number and generally uninteresting in character, consisting as they do principally of arid official and semi-official publications. With a few honourable exceptions the libraries seldom receive any welcome donations from private sources. This is to be regretted. It is impossible for any municipal library, with its limited means, to purchase more than the merest fraction of its desiderata, and many reproachful gaps in our collections would be filled by books, probably now lying useless on the shelves of their owners, if our grateful readers were thoughtful. Even duplicates would not be wasted, for in these days of commercial production the life of a modern book is short and tends to become shorter.

REPLACEMENTS.—Books wear out much more quickly than they would rust out and, during the period under review, 1,625 volumes were replaced as worn out. This number would have been increased by another 600 volumes had not the exhaustion of the book vote required the deferring of the order until the ensuing financial year.

Replacement of worn-out copies is not always possible and occasionally not considered desirable. On this account 307 volumes were withdrawn and not replaced.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—The total net stock at 31st March, 1914, was 126,188 volumes, located as follows:—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	14,847	27,333	42,180
South Audley Street Library	1,835	15,186	17,021
Great Smith Street Library	7,145	22,578	29,723
St. Martin's Lane Library	20,750	16,514	37,264
TOTALS	44,577	81,611	126,188

The annual stocktaking showed all books accounted for, with two exceptions. By failure of borrowers to return books the losses were three volumes.

The growth of the libraries and the consequent congestion of books upon the shelves, under our present limited accommodation, is a problem demanding serious and immediate consideration. No extension of buildings is possible on existing sites, and the additional shelving needs of the next two or three years will fill practically every corner of conveniently available space. Even as matters now stand, frequent delay is caused to readers by the necessity of storing away in basements and places difficult of access books in active circulation.

ISSUE OF BOOKS.—In last year's Report, a decided increase in the use of the reference libraries was referred to. This year's issue of 196,632 volumes maintains, but does not exceed, the standard then set up. From the lending libraries 332,402 books were borrowed for home reading, an increase of 3,836. On the whole this may also be considered as keeping to the standard. A pendulum movement of alternate increase and decrease of a few thousands yearly, if not too trifling for consideration,

is too obscure as regards its causes for any lucid comment or clear deduction.

NUMBER OF BORROWERS.—New tickets have been issued to 6,632 borrowers. The total number now upon the register is 12,531, holding 17,640 tickets. A review taken over several years shows a continued steady curve of increase in the number of borrowers, but it is interesting to note that there is no directly corresponding movement in the tables of issues. To infer from this premise alone that people are reading less than they used to may perhaps be considered rash, but there are many other indications pointing to that tendency.

TOTAL ATTENDANCES.—Occasional daily counts are taken of the visitors to the news and reading rooms and the resulting figures are used as a basis of estimate of the total yearly attendances. The counts taken this year are slightly lower than usual, but it is estimated that upwards of 2,200,000 people visited the libraries.

SUNDAY OPENING.—A similar slight falling-off is noticeable in the Sunday attendances. Two out of the four libraries are open on Sunday evenings during the winter months. The average attendance at Buckingham Palace Road Library has fallen from 196 to 195, and at St. Martin's Lane Library from 158 to 141.

CLASS OF READING.—The careful supervision exercised in the choice of books and the generous provision of the best modern works of travel, biography, etc., continue to have marked effect in the classification of books read. The percentage of the fiction issues to all other classes has again fallen—to below 35—an unusually low figure. This result has not been acquired or helped by starving the fiction accessions: a suitable and ample proportion of the best novels is supplied.

CATALOGUES.—New Supplementary Catalogues have been issued for the Buckingham Palace Road (7,850 vols.), Great Smith Street (1,200 vols.), and St. Martin's Lane (1,900 vols.) libraries; also a special list of Foreign Books in the Buckingham Palace Road Library.

STAFF.—We regret to record the death of Mr. A. H. Carter, Sub-Librarian at the St. Martin's Lane Library, which occurred suddenly at the library, on January 30th. He served the Council and its predecessors for more than twenty-four years with ability and industry, and his loss will be greatly felt by many readers and students who utilized his extensive knowledge of the topography and history of St. Martin's parish and its surroundings. A sad coincidence claiming notice here, is the death soon following of Mr. Thomas Mason, the first librarian of St. Martin's Library. Mr. Mason was appointed in 1888 and retired in 1905, consequent upon re-organization of the staff following the amalgamation of the parish with the other constituents of the city.

The Council, thinking it desirable that there should be an officer in an established position to act under the Chief Librarian as second in authority, has appointed Mr. R. B. Wood, hitherto Sub-Librarian at the Buckingham Palace Road Library, to be Deputy Librarian.

FINANCIAL.—The City Comptroller's Statements of Account are herewith submitted, following the various statistical tables.

On behalf of the Committee,

F. HARCOURT HILLERSDON,
Chairman.

FRANK PACY,
Librarian.

May, 1914.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1913	14,331	26,271	1,803	14,784	7,097	22,085	20,542	15,910	122,823
Since withdrawn	—	2	—	2	3	65	189	46	307
Do. transferred	32	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	34
	14,299	26,269	1,801	14,782	7,094	22,020	20,353	15,864	122,482
Added, 1913-1914	548	1,055	26	401	51	558	383	650	3,672
Do. do. by transfer	—	9	8	3	—	—	14	—	34
Total at 31st March, 1914	14,847	27,333	1,835	15,186	7,145	22,578	20,750	16,514	126,188
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	42,180		17,021		29,723		37,264		

Combined Totals ... ...

Reference Libraries	44,577
Lending Libraries	81,611
Total Volumes ...	126,188

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
Buckingham Palace Road Library:—													
Reference Department ...	95	699	2,085	874	443	1,937	1,799	4,677	—	2,238	—	14,847	42,180
Lending Department ...	279	1,130	1,091	1,118	449	2,147	3,972	7,095	6,532	834	2,686	27,333	
South Audley Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	94	185	82	69	240	370	539	—	244	—	1,835	17,021
Lending Department ...	114	506	447	653	229	736	1,853	4,097	4,422	624	1,505	15,186	
Great Smith Street Library:—													
Reference Department ...	12	191	466	169	1,793	289	2,289	1,817	—	119	—	7,145	29,723
Lending Department ...	197	1,243	996	1,120	646	622	2,958	7,059	4,684	1,731	1,322	22,578	
St. Martin's Lane Library:—													
Reference Department ...	89	1,042	2,804	1,096	551	1,374	1,892	6,154	—	5,748	—	20,750	37,264
Lending Department ...	185	568	832	866	368	926	2,235	4,538	4,580	14	1,402	16,514	
Summary:—													
Reference Libraries ...	208	2,026	5,540	2,221	2,856	3,840	6,350	13,187	—	8,349	—	44,577	126,188
Lending Libraries	775	3,447	3,366	3,757	1,692	4,431	11,018	22,789	20,218	3,203	6,915	81,611	
Totals	983	5,473	8,906	5,978	4,548	8,271	17,368	35,976	20,218	11,552	6,915	126,188	

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 31st, 1914.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	36,371	112,854	149,225
South Audley Street Library	12,213	37,410	49,623
Great Smith Street Library	42,974	84,781	127,755
St. Martin's Lane Library	105,074	97,357	202,431
Totals	196,632	332,402	529,034

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on pages 10 and 11.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	480,000
South Audley Street...	342,000
Great Smith Street	590,000
St. Martin's Lane	805,000
Total	2,217,000

CLASSIFICATION OF THE

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	299	390	963	4,562	1,224	2,151
Lending Department	270½	586	956	1,540	1,958	1,533
	—	976	1,919	6,102	3,182	3,684
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	299	74	291	865	207	491
Lending Department	269½	152	291	509	494	424
	—	226	582	1,374	701	915
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	305	58	389	7,362	624	1,132
Lending Department	271½	209	907	1,265	1,403	1,661
	—	267	1,296	8,627	2,027	2,793
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	289	676	1,065	14,908	3,622	2,974
Lending Department	266½	813	1,083	2,967	3,078	1,747
	—	1,489	2,148	17,875	6,700	4,721
SUMMARY:—						
Reference Libraries	—	1,198	2,708	27,697	5,677	6,748
Lending Libraries	—	1,760	3,237	6,281	6,933	5,365
Totals	—	2,958	5,945	33,978	12,610	12,113
Percentage in each class... ...	—	·56	1·13	6·44	2·39	2·29

ISSUES (EXCLUDING SUNDAYS).

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
4,434	6,919	8,241	—	6,844	—	35,728	119
7,246	9,482	13,985	59,642	1,718	14,208	112,854	417
11,680	16,401	22,226	59,642	8,562	14,208	148,582	536
770	2,014	3,117	—	4,384	—	12,213	41
1,111	2,290	3,833	22,889	1,126	4,291	37,410	139
1,881	4,304	6,950	22,889	5,510	4,291	49,623	180
522	2,511	16,290	—	14,086	—	42,974	141
1,603	3,767	8,508	50,830	2,631	11,997	84,781	312
2,125	6,278	24,798	50,830	16,717	11,997	127,755	453
5,535	8,603	33,238	—	33,830	—	104,451	361
4,725	9,454	12,548	51,024	30	9,888	97,357	365
10,260	18,057	45,786	51,024	33,860	9,888	201,808	726
11,261	20,047	60,886	—	59,144	—	195,366	—
14,685	24,993	38,874	184,385	5,505	40,384	332,402	—
25,946	45,040	99,760	184,385	64,649	40,384	527,768	—
4·92	8·53	18·90	34·94	12·25	7·65	100·00	—

ISSUES OF BOOKS ON SUNDAYS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARIES.

(6 Months—October to March, between 6 and 9.30 each Sunday evening.)

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Totals.	Average per Sunday, 1913-14.	*Average per Sunday, 1912-13.*
Buckingham Palace Road Library	25	3	16	95	14	52	104	133	115	111	643	26	*28*
St. Martin's Lane Library	25	3	6	118	15	15	45	65	138	218	623	25	*31*
Totals	—	6	22	213	29	67	149	198	253	329	1,266	—	—

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES.

Month	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Totals.	Daily Average.	
No. of Sundays Open ...	4	5	3	4	4	5	25	1913–14	*1912–13.*
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD :—									
Reference Library	48	83	43	45	64	73	356	14	*16*
Magazine Room	168	200	141	189	207	218	1,123	45	*51*
Reading Room	641	932	531	615	675	709	4,103	164	*165*
Whole Building	758	1,095	635	709	834	833	4,864	195	*196*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	189	219	212	177	209	208	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1912–13 ...	*173*	*210*	*178*	*203*	*196*	*220*	—	—	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE :—									
Reference Library	64	83	62	74	79	129	491	20	*24*
Reading Room	389	581	383	462	494	672	2,981	119	*134*
Whole Building	472	674	451	554	589	800	3,540	141	*158*
Average Total Attendance each Sunday	118	135	150	139	147	160	—	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1912–13 ...	*173*	*167*	*165*	*142*	*159*	*141*	—	—	—
Total Attendances (2 Libraries) ...	1,230	1,769	1,086	1,263	1,423	1,633	8,404	—	—
Ditto previous year, 1912–13 ...	*1,385*	*1,507*	*1,715*	*1,380*	*1,421*	*1,445*	*8,853*	—	—

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1913)	5,394	1,792	4,246	5,692	17,124
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	2,962	952	2,279	2,735	8,928
	2,432	840	1,967	2,957	8,196
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to 6,632 Borrowers, of whom 2,812 hold an extra Student's Ticket	2,993	994	2,406	3,051	9,444
	5,425	1,834	4,373	6,008	17,640

Analysis.

Adult Borrowers	3,764	1,306	3,102	3,522	11,694
Juvenile Borrowers (under 13 years of age)	231	133	285	188	837
Total Borrowers	3,995	1,439	3,387	3,710	12,531
Students' Tickets	1,430	395	986	2,298	5,109
	5,425	1,834	4,373	6,008	17,640

Particulars as to New Borrowers enrolled during the Year 1913–1914.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—													
Conduit Ward	—	2	—	11	59	64	—	—	1	—	2	10	149
Grosvenor Ward	1	3	—	74	327	95	—	2	—	—	—	1	503
Knightsbridge Ward	46	209	6	2	4	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	272
Victoria Ward	235	1,318	54	1	2	3	6	59	5	1	6	—	1,690
St. Margaret and St. John :—													
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	4	17	—	4	12	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	41
St. John Ward	14	118	11	1	—	—	167	694	112	2	6	2	1,127
St. Margaret Ward	18	48	56	1	2	1	32	125	584	1	4	132	1,004
St. Martin and St. Paul :—													
Charing Cross Ward	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	2	13	21	71	414	525
Covent Garden Ward	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	3	2	37	110	277	433
St. James :—													
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	—	—	2	16	3	—	—	—	7	67	14	109
Pall Mall Ward	—	3	1	—	8	4	—	4	—	5	27	64	116
Regent Ward	—	—	1	9	14	34	1	—	1	21	68	58	207
Other Strand Parishes :—													
St. Anne Ward	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	32	109	53	198
Strand Ward	—	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	3	2	11	238	258
	318	1,720	136	106	445	214	206	891	722	129	482	1,263	6,632

Summary :—Ratepayers, 759 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,538 ; Non-Resident Employés, 2,335* ; Total, 6,632.

* *Of the 2,335 Non-Resident Employés 1,024 are Civil Servants.*

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1913-1914.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	138	86	170	83	477
13 to 16	251	77	190	173	691
16 to 18	119	46	158	200	523
18 to 21	154	55	217	260	686
Above 21	1,512	501	1,084	1,158	4,255
Totals	2,174	765	1,819	1,874	6,632
Sexes.					
Males :—					
Adults	914	303	1,075	1,387	3,679
Juveniles	75	35	79	52	241
Totals	989	338	1,154	1,439	3,920
Females :—					
Adults	1,122	376	574	404	2,476
Juveniles	63	51	91	31	236
Totals	1,185	427	665	435	2,712

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D.—Daily. *W.*—Weekly. *F.*—Fortnightly. *M.*—Monthly. *Q.*—Quarterly. *H.*—Half-yearly.

A.B.C. Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Academic Gazette. *H.* (gift)	A		C	
Academy. *W.*	A		C	D
Accountant. *W.* (gift) ...				D
Accountants' (Associated) Journal. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Agricultural Economist. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Agriculture, Journal of Board of. *M.*... ...	A			
Amateur Photographer. *W.* (gift to D)	A			D
Anglo-Russian. *M.* (gift)	A			
Anti-Slavery Reporter. *Q.* (gift)	A	B		
Antiquary. *M.*				D
Arbitrator. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B		D
Architect and Contract Reporter. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Army and Navy Gazette. *W.*	A			D
Army List. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Art Decoratif, L'. *M.* ...				D
Art Decorator. *M.* ...				D
Aspirant (Civil Service Guide). *F.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	
Athenæum. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Atlantic Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Australasian and Canadian World. *W.* ...	A	B		D
Autocycle. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Baptist Times. *W.* ...		B		
Bibliographical Society's News Sheets. *M.* ...				D
Bird Notes and News. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Birmingham Daily Post. *D.*	A			
Birmingham Gazette. *D.*			C	
Blackwood's Magazine. *M.*	A		C	D
Board of Trade Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Board of Trade Labour Gazette. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Book Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Bookman. *M.*	A		C	D
Books of To-day. *M.* ...	A			
Bookseller. *W.*	A			
Boy's Own Paper. *M.*...	A		C	
Bradshaw's Continental Guide	A	B	C	D
Bradshaw's Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
British Architect. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
British Australasian. *W.*	A		C	D
British Journal of Photography. *W.* (gift to D)	A	B		D

British Medical Journal. *W.*				D
British Weekly. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Broad Arrow. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Builder. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Building News. *W.* ...	A		C	D
Burlington Magazine. *M.*	A			D
Bystander. *W.*	A	B	C	
Cabinet Maker. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Canada. *W.*	A	B		D
Canadian Gazette. *W.* ...			C	
Canadian Magazine. *M.*	A			
Canadian News. *W.* ...	A			D
Candid Quarterly Review. *Q.*	A			
Car. *W.*		B		
Catholic Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Century Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chambers' Journal. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chelsea Mail and West Middlesex Advertiser. *W.*	A			
Chemical News. *W.* ...			C	D
Christian World. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Chronique, La. *W.* ...	A			
Church Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Church Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
City Press. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Civil Service Candidate. *F.* (gift)			C	
Civil Service Gazette. *W.* (gift)	A	B		
Civil Service Hints. *W.* (gift)			C	
Civilian. *W.*	A			D
Clerk. *M.* (gift to C) ...	A		C	
Clerk of Works Association, Journal of the. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Commercial Motor. *W.* (gift)	A			
Connoisseur. *M.* ...	A	B		D
Contemporary Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Contract Journal. *W.* ...			C	D
Co-operative News. *W.*	A			D
Cornhill Magazine. *M.*...	A	B	C	
Country Life. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Cycling. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Daily Chronicle. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Citizen. *D.* ...			C	D
Daily Express. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Graphic. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Herald. *D* ...			C	
Daily Mail. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Mirror. *D.* ...	A	B		
Daily News and Leader. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Telegraph. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Dalton's Advertiser. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Decorator. *M.*				D
Deutsche Rundschau. *M.*	A			
Draper's Record. *W.* ...	A		C	
Economist. *W.*	A			D
Edinburgh Review. *Q.*...	A	B	C	D
Education, Journal of. *M.*	A			
Educational Review. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Educational Times. *M.* (gift to D)			C	D
Educator. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B		
Electrical Review. *W.*...	A		C	D
Electrician. *W.*... ...	A	B	C	D
Empire Review. *M.* ...	A			D
Engineer. *W.* (gift to D)	A		C	D
Engineering. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Engineering Times. *W.*	A			
Engineers, Jnl. of the Society of. *M.* (gift)	A			
English Historical Review. *Q.*				D
English Mechanic. *W.*...	A	B	C	D
English Review. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Englishwoman. *M.* ...	A			D
Epicure. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	
Era. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Essex Review. *Q.* ...				D
Evening News. *D.* ...	A		C	D
Evening Standard and St. James's Gazette. *D.*...	A	B	C	D
Everyman. *W.*	A			D
Expositor. *M.*				D
Fancy Needlework. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Field. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Figaro, Le. *D.*				D
Financial News. *D.* ...		B	C	
Financial Times. *D.* ...	A			
Food and Cookery. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Fortnightly Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Free Sunday Advocate. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Freeman's Journal. *D.*				D
Freemason. *W.* ...			C	
Gardeners' Chronicle. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		D
Gas Journal. *W.* ...			C	
Gas World. *W.*... ...			C	
Gentlewoman. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Geographical Journal. *M.*	A			

	A	B	C	D
Girl's Own Paper. *M.* ...	A		C	
Girls' Club News. *M.* (gift)	A			
Glasgow Herald. *D.* ...				D
Globe. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Graphic. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Great Western Railway Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Guardian. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Harper's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Herald of Health. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Hibbert Journal. *Q.* ...	A			
Hospital. *W.*	A			
Humanitarian. *M.* (gift)	A			
Illustrated Carpenter and Builder. *W.*				D
Illustrated London News. W.	A	B	C	D
Imperial Colonist. *M.* (gift)		B		
Incorporated Accountants' Journal. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Indian Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A			
Indian Railway Gazette. *M.* (gift)			C	
Insurance Agent and Review. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Insurance Record. *W.* (gift)				D
Irish Independent. *D.* (gift)	A			
Irish Times. *D.*... ...				D
Iron and Coal Trades Review...				D
Journal des Débats. *D.*...	A			
Knowledge. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Kölnische Zeitung. *W.*...	A			
Labour News. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Ladies' Field. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Lady. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Lady's Pictorial. *W.* (gift to A B)	A	B	C	D
Lady's Realm. *M.* ...	A		C	
Lancet. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Law Journal. *W.* ...				D
Law Times and Reports. *W.*				D
Library. *Q.*	A			
Library Assistant. *M.* ...	A			
Library Association Record. *M.*	A			D
Library World. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Lifeboat. *Q.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Literary World. *M.* ...	A			D
Little Folks. *M.* ...			C	
Liverpool Courier. *D.* ...	A		C	
Local Government Chronicle. *W.* (gift) ...		B	C	D
Local Government Journal. *W.* (gift to C)	A	B	C	D
Locomotive Magazine. *M.* (gift)			C	
London County Council Gazette. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
London Crusader. *M.* (gift)	A	B		
London Gazette. *Bi-weekly.*				D
London Observer. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
London Program. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
London Temperance Times. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B		
Madame. *W.*				D
Manchester Guardian. *D.*	A		C	
Marylebone Mercury. *W.*		B		
Methodist Recorder. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		
Methodist Times. *W.*...		B		
Middlesex County Times. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Month, The, *M.* ...	A	B		
Montreal Gazette. *D.* (exchange)...			C	
Morley College Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Morning Advertiser. *D.*...			C	D
Morning Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Motor. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Boat. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Cycling. *W.* (gift)	A			
Motor Traction. *W.* (gift)	A			D
Municipal Journal *W.*	A	B	C	D
Musical Herald. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Musical Standard. *W.*...	A			
Musical Times. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Musicians, Incorporated Society of, Report. *M.* (gift)			C	
Nation. *W.*	A		C	D
Nation in Arms. *W.* (gift)	A			
National Home Reading Union's Magazines. *M.*	A	B	C	D
National Review. *M.* ...	A		C	D
National Temperance Quarterly. *Q.* (gift) ...	A			
National Zeitung. *D.* ...				D
Nature. *W.*	A	B		D
Navy, The. *M.* (gift to A C)	A		C	D
Navy List. *M.*				D

Navy List. *Q.*	A	B	C	
New Age. *W.*				D
New Church Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
New Statesman. *W.* ...	A			D
Nineteenth Century and After. *M.*	A	B	C	D
North American Review. *M.*				D
Notes and Queries. *W.*...	A		C	D
Nursing Mirror. *W.* ...	A			
Observer. *W.* (October to March only)	A			D
Orchestral Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A			
Organist and Choirmaster. *M.*				D
Our Own Gazette (Y.W.C.A.) *M.* (gift)...			C	
Outlook. *W.*	A			
Pall Mall Gazette. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Parents' Review. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Patents : Illus. Official Journal. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
People. *W.* (October to March only)				D
Philanthropist. *M.* (gift)	A			
Photography. *W.* ...			C	
Pitman's Journal. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B	C	D
Policy. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Political Quarterly. *Q.*...	A			
Poor Law Officer's Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Post Office Guide. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Public Opinion. *W.* ...	A		C	
Publishers' Circular. *W.*	A			D
Punch. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quarterly Review. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Queen. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quiver. *M.*	A	B	C	
Railway Gazette. *W.* (gift)			C	
Railway News. *W.* ...	A			
Railway Review. *W.* (gift)			C	D
Record. *W.*	A	B	C	
Review of Reviews. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Revue des deux Mondes. *F.*	A			D
Roman Studies, Jnl. of *H.*	A			
Royal Meteorological Society Journal. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Royal Microscopical Society's Journal (gift)			C	
St. Martin-in-the-Fields Monthly Messenger. *M.* (gift)				D
St. Matthew's Parish Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
St. Nicholas Magazine. *M.*...			C	
Sales and Wants Advertiser. *M.*			C	
Saturday Review. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Schoolmaster. *W.* ...	A			D
Schoolmistress. *W.* ...	A			
Scotsman. *D.*	A			D
Scribner's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Seamen, Registrar-General's return of deaths of. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Secretary. *M.* (gift) ...	A			
Selborne Magazine. *M.* (gift)			C	
Shipping Gazette. *D.* ...				D
Shipping Gazette. *W.* ...			C	
Sketch. *W.*	A	B	C	
Society of Arts Journal. *W.*				D
Son of Temperance. *M.* (gift)	A			
South Africa. *W.* ...	A		C	D
South Wales Daily News. *D.*	A			
Spectator. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Sphere. *W.*	A	B	C	
Standard. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Star. *D.*	A		C	
State Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Statist. *W.*			C	
Studio. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Sunday at Home. *M.* ...	A	B	C	
Sunday Times. *W.* (October to March only) ...	A			D
System. *M.*	A			
Table. *W.*	A			
Tablet. *W.*	A	B		D
Tatler. *W.*	A	B	C	
Temperance Chronicle. *W.* (gift)	A	B	C	D
Tenison's School Magazine. *Q.* (gift) ...				D
Territorial Service Gazette. *W.*			C	
Textile Recorder. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Timber. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
Times. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Toronto Globe. *D.* (exchange)...	A			

Toronto News. *D.* (exchange)			C	D
Tramway and Railway World. *M.* (gift) ...			C	D
Traveller's Gazette. *M.* (gift)			C	
Treasury. *M.*		B	C	
Truth. *W.*	A	B	C	D
United Empire. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
University Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Vanity Fair and Hearth and Home. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Westermanns Monatshefte. *M.*	A			
Western Daily Mercury. *D.*			C	
Westminster and Pimlico News. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Express. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Gazette. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Mail. *W.*...	A		C	D
Westminster Review. *M.*	A			D
Women's Employment, *F.*	A			
Women's Industrial News. *Q.*			C	
Work. *W.*			C	D
Work. *M.*	A	B		
World. *W.*	A	B	C	D
World's Work and Play. *M.*	A	B		D
Yorkshire Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	
Young England. *M.* ...	A			
Zoophilist. *M.* (gift) ...	A			

Railway Time Tables (supplied by the respective companies)—

Belgian State Railways	A	B	C	D
Caledonian	A		C	D
Glasgow & South Western	A		C	D
Great Central	A	B	C	D
Great Eastern	A	B	C	D
Great Northern ...	A	B	C	D
Great Western... ...	A	B	C	D
Highland		B		
Lancashire & Yorkshire				D
London & North-Western	A	B	C	D
London & South-Western	A	B	C	D
London, Brighton & South Coast... ...	A	B	C	D
London County Council List of Workmen's Trains and Trams ...	A	B	C	D
London, Tilbury & Southend				D
Metropolitan				D
Midland	A	B	C	D
North British	A	B	C	D
North Eastern... ...	A	B		
South Eastern & Chatham	A	B	C	D
Zeeland Steamship Co.	A			

STATEMENT OF

EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

AND

PARTICULARS OF LOANS.

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1914.

EXPENDITURE.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	General.	Total Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fittings and Repairs	323 12 4	111 11 9	135 18 4	186 19 0	—	758 1 5
Books and Catalogues	—	—	—	—	1,298 15 9	1,298 15 9
Bookbinding	153 7 8	41 12 11	101 19 6	110 13 8	—	407 13 9
Newspapers and Periodicals	141 6 1	68 18 6	113 18 0	114 3 2	—	438 5 9
Salaries and Wages...	1,560 6 0	683 0 3	967 13 6	1,127 19 2	630 0 0	4,968 18 11
Printing and Stationery	63 7 1	25 17 6	28 12 3	68 14 11	23 5 7	209 17 4
Fuel, Light and Water	202 5 8	110 9 11	158 3 5	119 10 8	—	590 9 8
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurances ...	194 2 4	207 11 5	174 9 3	165 11 10	—	741 14 10
Cleaning Materials	34 12 4	18 2 9	45 14 5	18 18 1	—	117 7 7
Postage and Office Expenses	15 5 7	1 12 6	4 17 11	4 13 4	6 0 7	32 9 11
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	301 2 8	301 2 8
Superannuation gratuities	—	—	—	—	113 0 0	113 0 0
Miscellaneous...	16 13 3	7 7 0	10 6 0	14 18 7	21 9 8	70 14 6
	2,704 18 4	1,276 4 6	1,741 12 7	1,932 2 5	2,393 14 3	10,048 12 1
Mortgage Loan Charges	789 19 4	325 5 4	302 6 4	763 9 0	—	2,181 0 0
£	3,494 17 8	1,601 9 10	2,043 18 11	2,695 11 5	2,393 14 3	12,229 12 1

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1914.

INCOME.

	£ s. d.	Buckingham Palace Road Library. £ s. d.	South Audley Street Library. £ s. d.	Great Smith Street Library. £ s. d.	St. Martin's Lane Library. £ s. d.	Totals. £ s. d.	Totals. £ s. d.
Fines...		59 15 5	23 12 1	47 13 7	54 0 11	185 2 0	
Catalogues		6 17 7	2 16 11	6 8 4	11 12 10	27 15 8	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	—	100 0 0	
Interest on Investment		80 8 8	—	—	—	80 8 8	
Donations and Miscellaneous		19 19 0	5 18 9	10 17 10	15 16 5	52 12 0	
		267 0 8	32 7 9	64 19 9	81 10 2	445 18 4	445 18 4
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—							
St. George, Hanover Square	4,357 13 9						
St. Margaret and St. John	2,234 0 0						
St. Peter (Collegiate Close)...	8 0 0						
St. James	2,185 0 0						
St. Anne, Soho	446 0 0						
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	1,481 0 0						
St. Clement Danes	532 0 0						
St. Mary-le-Strand	121 0 0						
St. Paul, Covent Garden	260 0 0						
Liberty of the Rolls	104 0 0						
Precinct of the Savoy	55 0 0						11,783 13 9
						£	12,229 12 1

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1914.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Interest.
	£			Y'rs		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	6,616 17 1	563 5 2	226 14 2	6,053 11 11	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	1,964 1 9	149 1 11	67 14 11	1,814 19 10	3½
Ditto	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	982 1 2	74 11 0	33 17 6	907 10 2	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN :—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	2,097 0 0	233 0 0	69 6 4	1,864 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS :—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	5,840 12 1	136 14 11	203 4 9	5,703 17 2	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	2,184 18 2	304 18 5	73 16 7	1,879 19 9	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	273 8 8	35 2 11	9 11 5	238 5 9	3½
	£ 43,390				£	19,958 18 11	1,496 14 4	684 5 8	18,462 4 7	

WM. CULSHAW, *City Comptroller.*

CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

REPORT

OF THE

Public Libraries Committee

FOR THE YEAR

1914-1915.

COMMITTEE:

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CITY OF WESTMINSTER.

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City of Westminster.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Report of the Committee for the year, 1st April, 1914, to 31st March, 1915.

ACCESSIONS.—During the year the number of books in the libraries has been increased by 2,719 volumes, of which 81 were gifts. The purchases were 831 fewer than in the previous year, and the smallest since the amalgamation of the libraries. This is a result of the diminished output of new books owing to the war, and the reduction of the field of choice. Few books of importance were published during the last autumn season, and it is obvious that many are still being kept back for happier times. Also, the ephemeral character of a large proportion of current literature makes it undesirable for permanent addition to the libraries. Special mention should be made of one acquisition—a collection of extra illustrated works covering the County of Kent and the Isle of Thanet, in thirteen folio volumes. This contains many scarce and valuable prints, and constitutes an addition of the highest value to our topographical section.

INSURANCES.—The increasing value of the contents of the libraries demands from time to time a revision of the insurance policies. Opportunity was taken this year to remedy an anomaly by which the very valuable collection of topographical prints located at the St. Martin's Lane Library was not covered. The various policies were replaced by others more comprehensive and uniform, and due allowance was made for the greatly increased cost of building.

DONATIONS.—The donations are of the usual kind, principally official publications calling for no special notice. Lists of donors are appended.

REPLACEMENTS.—The necessity for the replacement of soiled or worn-out books continues to increase. During the year 2,960 volumes were purchased under this head. For various reasons 559 volumes were permanently withdrawn. Most of these were out of date or obsolete works.

STOCK OF BOOKS.—The contents of the libraries at the 31st March, 1915, were as follows:—

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	15,174	28,115	43,289
South Audley Street Library	1,850	15,529	17,379
Great Smith Street Library	7,232	23,009	30,241
St. Martin's Lane Library...	20,442	16,997	37,439
TOTALS...	44,698	83,650	128,348

The annual stocktaking and examination of the shelves showed all books accounted for except one volume missing at the Great Smith Street Library, which has since been found. Five volumes, of a total value of 23*s.* 6*d.* were lost to the libraries by default of borrowers.

CATALOGUES.—Seldom a year passes without the preparation of a new catalogue. This year two have been published, a Catalogue of Children's Books in the Buckingham Palace Road Library, numbering 2,760 volumes, superseding the first catalogue issued in 1894 and the various supplements thereto; also a list of Additions to the Great Smith Street Library. The Children's Catalogue is sold at the nominal price of one penny, to bring it within the reach of every borrower. There are at present in print and on sale 14 different catalogues and special lists of books.

Issue of Books.—For some years past a steady increase in the use of the reference libraries has been reported, while the issues from the lending libraries have been well maintained. For this year, as was perhaps to be expected, a decided drop has to be recorded. The total issue from all departments is 476,613 as against 529,034 in the previous year. The issues from the reference libraries have decreased by 22,898 volumes, or 11·6 per cent., and the number of books borrowed from the lending libraries has decreased by 29,523 volumes, or 8·8 per cent. It may be assumed that this decrease is mainly due to loss of readers through enlistment in the forces; the use of the reference libraries has also been affected by the earlier closing of that department.

Number of Borrowers.—New tickets have been issued to 6,055 borrowers, of whom 2,710 have claimed the extra or student's ticket, a decrease of 577. The total number of borrowers now upon the register is 12,389, holding 17,697 tickets.

Total Attendances.—It might perhaps have been expected that interest in war news would have caused a larger attendance in the news and reading rooms, but the contrary appears to be the case. From observation and occasional daily counts, the estimates of news-room attendances are lower than in previous years, to the extent of about 25 per cent. The reduction in the hours of opening, and the closing of one of the departments have considerably affected the attendances.

Sunday Opening.—In former years the Buckingham Palace Road and St. Martin's Lane Libraries have been opened on Sunday evenings during the winter months October—March. Owing, partly to a steadily diminishing attendance and also to shortness of staff consequent upon

enlistments, it was decided not to open on Sundays. However, it was thought later that the opening might be a convenience to the large number of sailors and soldiers on leave or in training in the district, and accordingly, on the suggestion of the Mayor, the news-rooms at those two libraries were in January opened from 3 to 8. The expectation was not borne out, as the attendance of sailors and soldiers was very small. A table is appended.

THE LIBRARIES AND THE WAR.—Despite all efforts to carry out the work of the libraries on the principle of the early but now somewhat discredited motto of "Business as usual," the war has undoubtedly made a considerable difference in many ways. The first and most pregnant was the gradual melting away of the staff under the imperious call of the recruiting poster. Of the established clerical staff 12 have enlisted, and of the hallkeepers and attendants 6, in both cases a high proportion. Further enlistments of those temporarily engaged have involved a continuous succession of changes. The loss of such a large number of trained assistants, and these subsequent disturbances, have seriously affected the service. It was early found necessary to close the Magazine Reading Room at the Buckingham Palace Road Library. The general hours of opening were also curtailed, all libraries closing at 9 p.m. instead of 10 p.m., a condition partly entailed by the general order as to public lighting. These economies have to some extent relieved the strain upon the staff, and, although it was of course impossible to fill the vacancies with fully-trained and qualified assistants, the temporary staff, to which appointments are made only of those not competent for military service, is rapidly acquiring experience.

The Libraries have the sad distinction of suffering the first loss amongst the Council's officers on active service.

Mr. H. W. Purkis, an assistant in the South Audley Street Library, who enlisted in the 9th County of London Regiment on September 1st last, was killed in the attack on Hill 60 on April 24th. Many readers using that library have expressed great regret at the news of his death, which is deeply mourned by his fellow workers.

Some minor effects are that the closed department at the Buckingham Palace Road Library is utilised by the Local Committee for the Prevention and Relief of Distress occasioned by the War; that writing facilities, including the supply of notepaper and envelopes, are provided at three of the Council's libraries for the use of soldiers, sailors, and nurses in uniform, a privilege which has been freely availed of and appreciated. Books and magazines which could be spared have been sent for the use of troops, and response has also been made to a request for magazines for the use of the Australian Expeditionary Forces serving in Egypt and the Mediterranean.

FINANCIAL.—The City Comptroller's Statements of Account are herewith submitted, following the various statistical tables.

On behalf of the Committee,

H. C. RUSSELL,
Chairman.

FRANK PACY,
Librarian.

June, 1915.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARIES.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.		South Audley Street Library.		Great Smith Street Library.		St. Martin's Lane Library.		Totals.
	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	Reference.	Lending.	
Number of Volumes, 31st March, 1914	14,847	27,333	1,835	15,186	7,145	22,578	20,750	16,514	126,188
Since withdrawn	—	19	1	—	—	44	410	85	559
Do. transferred	10	—	—	—	—	7	22	2	41
	14,837	27,314	1,834	15,186	7,145	22,527	20,318	16,427	125,588
Added, 1914-1915	337	801	13	343	74	482	122	547	2,719
Do. do. by transfer	—	—	3	—	13	—	2	23	41
Total at 31st March, 1915	15,174	28,115	1,850	15,529	7,232	23,009	20,442	16,997	128,348
Total Number of Volumes in each Library	43,289		17,379		30,241		37,439		

Combined Totals ... ...

Reference Libraries	44,698
Lending Libraries	83,650
Total Volumes ...	128,348

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS.

	Philosophy.	Theology & Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics, and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	96	705	2,127	903	458	2,006	1,810	4,798	—	2,271	—	15,174	43,289
Lending Department ...	284	1,142	1,136	1,146	477	2,266	4,077	7,318	6,644	842	2,783	28,115	
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	12	94	187	82	70	250	370	541	—	244	—	1,850	17,379
Lending Department ...	117	515	465	655	237	753	1,877	4,194	4,507	638	1,571	15,529	
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	12	201	471	169	1,811	294	2,319	1,836	—	119	—	7,232	30,241
Lending Department ...	202	1,268	1,023	1,133	666	633	2,981	7,188	4,756	1,756	1,403	23,009	
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY:—													
Reference Department ...	88	1,044	2,724	1,082	541	1,380	1,897	6,084	—	5,602	—	20,442	37,439
Lending Department ...	190	574	884	884	390	961	2,287	4,747	4,594	14	1,472	16,997	
SUMMARY:—													
Reference Libraries ...	208	2,044	5,509	2,236	2,880	3,930	6,396	13,259	—	8,236	—	44,698	128,348
Lending Libraries	793	3,499	3,508	3,818	1,770	4,613	11,222	23,447	20,501	3,250	7,229	83,650	
Totals	1001	5,543	9,017	6,054	4,650	8,543	17,618	36,706	20,501	11,486	7,229	128,348	

CLASSIFICATION

	Number of Days open.	Philosophy.	Theology and Ecclesiastical History.	Sociology, Law, Politics and Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	301	346	872	3,004	990	1,614
Lending Department	268½	494	784	1,351	1,440	1,455
	—	840	1,656	4,355	2,430	3,069
SOUTH AUDLEY STREET LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	303	135	111	621	241	352
Lending Department	267½	152	235	505	427	358
	—	287	346	1,126	668	710
GREAT SMITH STREET LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	282	154	344	6,227	659	839
Lending Department	257½	246	652	1,100	1,129	1,077
	—	400	996	7,327	1,788	1,916
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY:—						
Reference Department	300	661	1,081	11,955	3,342	2,520
Lending Department	267½	776	977	2,662	2,480	1,693
	—	1,437	2,058	14,617	5,822	4,213
SUMMARY:—						
Reference Libraries	—	1,296	2,408	21,807	5,232	5,325
Lending Libraries	—	1,668	2,648	5,618	5,476	4,583
Totals	—	2,964	5,056	27,425	10,708	9,908
Percentage in each class... ...	—	·63	1·06	5·76	2·25	2·08

OF THE ISSUES.

Fine Arts.	General Literature.	History, Biography, Travel, etc.	Fiction.	Miscellaneous and Periodical Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Daily Averages.
3,322	6,305	6,330	—	6,791	—	29,574	98
6,467	8,356	11,625	55,718	1,877	15,601	105,168	391
9,789	14,661	17,955	55,718	8,668	15,601	134,742	489
609	1,845	2,303	—	3,209	—	9,426	31
1,124	2,203	3,627	22,701	1,480	5,057	37,869	142
1,733	4,048	5,930	22,701	4,689	5,057	47,295	173
614	1,475	12,400	—	12,706	—	35,418	126
1,196	2,478	6,035	42,667	2,579	12,546	71,705	278
1,810	3,953	18,435	42,667	15,285	12,546	107,123	404
5,023	7,074	32,044	—	35,616	—	99,316	331
5,147	8,147	10,047	45,478	9	10,721	88,137	329
10,170	15,221	42,091	45,478	35,625	10,721	187,453	660
9,568	16,699	53,077	—	58,322	—	173,734	—
13,934	21,184	31,334	166,564	5,945	43,925	302,879	—
23,502	37,883	84,411	166,564	64,267	43,925	476,613	—
4·94	7·95	17·72	34·91	13·49	9·21	100·00	—

TOTAL ISSUES OF BOOKS

during year ended March 31st, 1915.

	Reference Department.	Lending Department.	Totals.
Buckingham Palace Road Library ...	29,574	105,168	134,742
South Audley Street Library	9,426	37,869	47,295
Great Smith Street Library	35,418	71,705	107,123
St. Martin's Lane Library	99,316	88,137	187,453
Totals	173,734	302,879	476,613

Note.—A classification of the reading in the several libraries is given in the tables on pages 10 and 11.

Total Attendances of Readers in all departments of the libraries, estimated from periodical daily counts.

Buckingham Palace Road	438,000
South Audley Street...	289,000
Great Smith Street	300,000
St. Martin's Lane	625,000
Total	1,652,000

SUNDAY ATTENDANCES IN NEWS ROOMS, 1915.

Month	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	Totals.	Daily Average.
No. of Sundays Open	5	4	4	3	16	—
BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LIBRARY:—						
Civilians	348	381	375	254	1,358	85 } 87
Soldiers	11	9	11	11	42	2 }
	359	390	386	265	1,400	—
ST. MARTIN'S LANE LIBRARY:—						
Civilians	604	546	547	313	2,010	126 } 129
Soldiers	20	13	15	9	57	3 }
	624	559	562	322	2,067	—
Totals	983	949	948	587	3,467	—

NUMBER OF BORROWERS FROM THE LENDING DEPARTMENTS.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	TOTALS.
Number of Tickets in use at date of last Report (March 31st, 1914)	5,425	1,834	4,373	6,008	17,640
Cancelled during the year by effluxion of time and for other reasons	2,700	967	1,967	3,074	8,708
	2,725	867	2,406	2,934	8,932
New Ordinary Tickets issued during the year to 6,055 Borrowers, of whom 2,710 hold an extra Student's Ticket	2,901	958	2,053	2,853	8,765
	5,626	1,825	4,459	5,787	17,697

ANALYSIS.

Adult Borrowers	3,787	1,274	2,955	3,356	11,372
Juvenile Borrowers (under 13 years of age)	313	160	378	166	1,017
Total Borrowers	4,100	1,434	3,333	3,522	12,389
Students' Tickets	1,526	391	1,126	2,265	5,308
	5,626	1,825	4,459	5,787	17,697

Particulars as to New Borrowers enrolled during the Year 1914–1915.

Ratepayers, Non-Ratepayers, and Employés in the different Wards.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.			South Audley Street Library.			Great Smith Street Library.			St. Martin's Lane Library.			Totals.
	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	Rate-payers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Non-Resident Employés.	
St. George, Hanover Square :—													
Conduit Ward	—	—	2	16	49	62	—	1	—	—	1	7	138
Grosvenor Ward	—	—	—	77	340	103	—	—	—	1	1	—	522
Knightsbridge Ward	39	179	5	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	228
Victoria Ward	222	1,264	48	—	2	—	8	70	1	1	12	1	1,629
St. Margaret and St. John :—													
Hamlet of Knightsbridge Ward ...	4	17	3	—	5	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	32
St. John Ward	19	103	12	—	—	—	137	624	121	3	3	1	1,023
St. Margaret Ward	9	63	71	—	1	5	37	92	399	—	2	143	822
St. Martin and St. Paul :—													
Charing Cross Ward	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	1	10	15	56	359	445
Covent Garden Ward	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	48	121	219	393
St. James :—													
Gt. Marlborough Ward	—	—	—	4	14	8	—	—	—	2	33	7	68
Pall Mall Ward	—	1	—	—	—	4	—	5	1	6	28	49	94
Regent Ward	1	—	2	4	14	20	—	2	1	13	68	52	177
Other Strand Parishes :—													
St. Anne Ward	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	136	54	218
Strand Ward	1	—	3	—	—	1	1	—	1	10	9	240	266
	295	1,628	152	101	428	207	184	795	535	125	472	1,133	6,055

Summary :—Ratepayers, 705 ; Non-Ratepayers, 3,323 ; Non-Resident Employés, 2,027* ; Total, 6,055.

* *Of the 2,027 Non-Resident Employés 994 are Civil Servants.*

AGES, ETC., OF BORROWERS ENROLLED 1914-1915.

Ages.	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	Totals.
10 to 13 (Juvenile Borrowers)	194	92	208	89	583
13 to 16	240	90	165	169	664
16 to 18	124	47	139	179	489
18 to 21	117	52	177	272	618
Above 21	1,400	455	825	1,021	3,701
Totals	2,075	736	1,514	1,730	6,055
Sexes.					
Males :—					
Adults	831	321	846	1,209	3,207
Juveniles	125	40	134	45	344
Totals	956	361	980	1,254	3,551
Females :—					
Adults	1,050	323	460	432	2,265
Juveniles	69	52	74	44	239
Totals	1,119	375	534	476	2,504

DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Duke of Westminster, Annual Subscription	5	0	0

DONORS OF BOOKS, ETC.

Accountants and Auditors, Society of Incorporated.
Accountants of Scotland, Chartered.
Anglo-American Publishing Co.
Anglo-Continental Publishing Co.
Armstrong, Mr. C. W. (author).
Around the World Publishing Co.
Australia, High Commissioner for.

Baptist Union.
Board of Trade, Labour Department.
British Museum, Trustees.
Buckley, Mr. Francis (author).

Canada, Department of Agriculture.
Canada, Department of Mines.
Canada, High Commissioner for.
Canadian Emigration Office.
Canadian Government Office.
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.
Carnegie United Kingdom Trust.
Carter-Jepson Publishing Co.
Chatto & Windus, Messrs. (publishers).
Cheney, Mr. George, F.S.A., Trustees of *the late* (per Mr. E. H. Fedarb).
Co-operative Union.
Courtney of Penwith, Rt. Hon. Lord, P.C., M.A., LL.D.
Cox, Miss F. R.
Cremation Society of England.

Davies, Miss.

Edinburgh, City Chamberlain of.
Ellis, Mr. C. F. Corbould, J.P.

Federation of Rambling Clubs.
Foord, Mr. E. (author).
Fryer, Dr. A. C. (author).

Garrod, Mrs.
Great Western Railway Co.
Gresham Committee of the Corporation of the City of London.

Habana Biblioteca Nacional.
Hammond, Mr. Frederick (author).
Hawker, Miss.
Hearts of Oak Benefit Society.
Higginbotham, Miss E.
Hill, Mr. Julian, J.P.
Humanitarian League.

James, Miss M. H.
Japan Imperial Government Railways.

Kinahan, Mrs.

Leamington Town Council.
Levy, Miss.

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Acton.
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Adyar (Madras).
Ashton-under-Lyne.
Bangor (Maine).
Barrow-in-Furness.
Battersea.
Belfast.
Birmingham.
Bishopsgate Foundation Institute.
Blackburn.
Bolton.
Bournemouth.
Bradford.
Brighton.
Bristol.
Brooklyn (Pratt Instn.).
Bury.
Buxton.
Cambridge (Public Lib.).
Cambridge (Univ. Lib.).
Cardiff.
Chelsea.
Cheltenham.
Chicago (John Crerar Library).
Chorley.
Colchester.
Cork.
Coventry.
Cripplegate Foundation Institute.
Croydon.
Derby.
Dewsbury.
Dukinfield.
Dundee.
Ealing.
East London (S. Africa).
Edinburgh.
Folkestone.
Fulham.
Georgetown (Brit. Guiana).
Gilstrap.
Gloucester.
Grand Rapids (U.S.A.).
Great Yarmouth.
Guildhall.
Hackney.
Hamburg.
Hammersmith.
Harlesden.
Hartlepool.
Hornsey.
Hove.
Huddersfield.
Hyde.
Ilkley.
Japan Imperial Library.
Kendal.
Kettering.
Kidderminster.
Kilburn.
Kingston-upon-Thames.
Leeds.
Leicester.
Leyland.
Leyton.
Lincoln.
Liverpool.
Loughborough.
Manchester (John Rylands Library).
Manchester (Public Lib.).
Middlesbrough.
New Bedford (U.S.A.).
New Orleans.
New South Wales.
New York (Public Libraries).
Newcastle-under-Lyme.
Newcastle-upon-Tyne.
Norwich.
Nottingham.
Ohashi (Japan).
Osaka (Japan)
Ottawa.
Paisley.
Peoria (U.S.A.).
Philadelphia (City Inst.).
Philadelphia (Free Lib.).
Plymouth.
Portsmouth.
Preston.
Reading.
Redruth.
Richmond.
Rochdale.
Runcorn.
St. Bride Foundation Institute.
St. Helen's.
St. Louis (Public Library).
Salem (Mass.).
Salford.
Shoreditch.
Smethwick.
South Shields.
Southwark.
Stafford.
Stoke Newington.
Swansea.
Tokyo (Imperial Library).
Toronto.
Tottenham.
Twickenham.
Wales (National Library).
Walthamstow.
Wandsworth.
Washington (Library of Congress).
Watford.
West Hartlepool.
Wigan.
Wimbledon.
Windsor (Ontario).
Worcester.
Workington.
York.

London, Corporation of the City of.
London County Council.
London Directory Co., Ltd.

McCaskie, Mr. Robert.
Macdonald & Co., Ltd. (publishers).
Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd.
Metropolitan Asylums Board.
Miller, Mr. G. Taverner, J.P.
Musicians, Incorporated Society of.
Mongton, Mr. C. E. P.

National Temperance Federation.
National Union of Teachers.
New South Wales, Agent-General for.
New Zealand, Government Statistician of.

Perry, Walter, & Co., Ltd. (publishers).
Phillips, Councillor Wilfrid L.
Port of London Authority.
Prosser, Mr. R. B.
Pownall, Rev. E. W.

'Round Table,' Editor of the.
Royal Colonial Institute.
Royal National Life-boat Institution.

Sells, Ltd. (publishers).
Shaw, Miss B.
Smith, Mr. A. Murray.
Smithsonian Institution, Washington (U.S.A.).
South-Western Polytechnic Institute, Chelsea.
Stanley, Rev. John (author).
Stationery Office, H.M.
Stubbs' Publishing Co.

Thorn, Mr. Arthur F.
Tyrrell, Mr. Henry G. (author).

Union of Graduates of Music.
United States, Bureau of Education.
United States, Coast and Geodetic Survey.
UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES:—
CALENDARS AND EXAMINATION PAPERS:—
London College of Music.
London University.
Trinity College of Music, London.
University College of North Wales.
University Tutorial Press.

Vere, Councillor The Very Rev. Canon L. G.

Walden, Alderman R. Woolley, J.P.
Westminster City Council.
Winch, Councillor H.
Wood, Sir Henry Trueman (author).
Wesleyan Central Hall, The Secretary.

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS TAKEN AT THE LIBRARIES.

A means taken at Buckingham Palace Road Library.
B ,, ,, South Audley Street Library.
C ,, ,, Great Smith Street Library.
D ,, ,, St. Martin's Lane Library.

D.—Daily. *W.*—Weekly. *F.*—Fortnightly. *M.*—Monthly. *Q.*—Quarterly. *H.*—Half-yearly.

A.B.C. Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Academic Gazette. *H.* (gift)	A		C	
Academy. *W.*	A		C	D
Accountant. *W.* (gift) ...				D
Accountants' (Associated) Journal. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Agricultural Economist. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Agriculture, Journal of Board of. *M.*... ...	A			
Amateur Photographer. *W.* (gift to D)	A			D
Anti-Slavery Reporter. *Q.* (gift)	A	B		
Antiquary. *M.*				D
Arbitrator. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B		D
Architect and Contract Reporter. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Army and Navy Gazette. *W.*	A			D
Army List. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Art Decoratif, L'. *M.* ...				D
Athenæum. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Atlantic Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Australasian and Canadian World. *W.* ...	A	B		D
Autocar. *W.*				D
Baptist Times. *W.* ...		B		
Bibliographical Society's News Sheets. *M.* ...				D
Bioscope. *W.*				D
Bird Notes and News. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Birmingham Daily Post. *D.*	A			
Birmingham Gazette. *D.*			C	
Blackwood's Magazine. *M.*	A		C	D
Board of Trade Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Board of Trade Labour Gazette. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Book Monthly. *M.* ...	A			
Bookman. *M.*	A		C	D
Books of To-day. *M.* ...	A			
Bookseller. *W.*	A			
Boy's Own Paper. *M.*...	A		C	
Bradshaw's Continental Guide	A	B	C	D
Bradshaw's Railway Guide. *M.*	A	B	C	D
British Architect. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
British Australasian. *W.*	A		C	D
British Journal of Photography. *W.* (gift to D)	A	B		D
British Medical Journal. *W.*				D
British Weekly. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Broad Arrow. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Builder. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Building News. *W.* ...	A		C	D

Burlington Magazine. *M.*	A			D
Bystander. *W.*	A	B	C	
Cabinet Maker. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Canada. *W.*	A	B		D
Canadian Gazette. *W.* ...			C	
Canadian News. *W.* ...	A			D
Candid Quarterly Review. *Q.*	A			
Captain. *M.*	A			
Car. *W.*		B		
Catholic Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Century Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Challenge. *W.*			C	
Chambers' Journal. *M.*	A	B	C	
Chelsea News. *W.* ...	A			
Chemical News. *W.* ...			C	D
Christian World. *W.* ...	A	B	C	
Chronique, La. *W.* ...	A			
Church Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Church Times. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
City Press. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Civil Service Candidate. *F.* (gift)			C	
Civil Service Hints. *W.* (gift)			C	
Civilian. *W.*	A			D
Clerk. *M.* (gift).... ...	A		C	
Clerk of Works Association, Journal of the. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Commercial Motor. *W.* (gift)	A			
Connoisseur. *M.* ...	A	B		D
Contemporary Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Contract Journal. *W.* ...			C	D
Co-operative News. *W.*	A			D
Cornhill Magazine. *M.*...	A	B	C	
Country Life. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Cri de Londres. *W.* (gift)	A			D
Daily Chronicle. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Express. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Graphic. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Daily Mail. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Mirror. *D.* ...	A	B		
Daily News and Leader. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Daily Telegraph. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Dalton's Advertiser. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Decorator. *M.*				D
Draper's Record. *W.* ...	A		C	
Economist. *W.*	A			D
Edinburgh Review. *Q.*...	A	B	C	D
Education, Journal of. *M.*	A			
Educational Times. *M.* (gift to D)			C	D
Educator. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B		
Electrical Review. *W.*...	A		C	D
Electrician. *W.*... ...	A	B	C	D
Empire Review. *M.* ...	A			D
Engineer. *W.* (gift to D)	A		C	D
Engineering. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Engineering Times. *W.*	A			
Engineers, Journal of the Society of. *M.* (gift)	A			
English Historical Review. *Q.*				D
English Mechanic. *W.*...	A	B	C	D
English Review. *M.* ..	A		C	D
Englishwoman. *M.* ...	A			D
Epicure. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	
Era. *W.*	A	B	C	E
Essex Review. *Q.* ...				D
Evening News. *D.* ...	A		C	D
Evening Standard and St. James's Gazette. *D.*...	A	B	C	D
Everyman. *W.*	A			D
Expositor. *M.*				D
Fancy Needlework. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Field. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Figaro, Le. *D.*				D
Financial News. *D.* ...		B	C	
Financial Times. *D.* ...	A			
Food and Cookery. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
Fortnightly Review. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Free Sunday Advocate. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Freeman's Journal. *D.*				D
Freemason. *W.* ...			C	
Gardeners' Chronicle. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		D
Gas Journal. *W.* ...			C	
Gas World. *W.*... ...			C	
Gentlewoman. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Geographical Journal. *M.*	A			
Girl's Own Paper and Woman's Magazine. *M.*	A		C	
Girls' Club News. *M.* (gift)	A			
Glasgow Herald. *D.* ...				D
Globe. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Graphic. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Great Eastern Railway Magazine. *M.* (gift)...	A			
Great Western Railway Magazine. *M.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Guardian. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Harper's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Herald. *W.*			C	

Herald of Health. *Q.* (gift)	A			
Hibbert Journal. *Q.* ...	A			
Home Reading Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Hospital. *W.*	A			
Illustrated Carpenter and Builder. *W.*				D
Illustrated London News. W.	A	B	C	D
Imperial Colonist. *M.* (gift)		B		
Incorporated Accountants' Journal. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Indépendance Belge. *D.*	A			
Indian Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A			
Indian Railway Gazette. *M.* (gift)			C	
Insurance Agent and Review. *M.* (gift) ...			C	
Insurance Record. *W.* (gift)				D
Irish Times. *D.*... ...				D
Iron and Coal Trades Review. *W.*				D
Journal des Débats. *D.*...	A			
Knowledge. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Labour News. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Ladies' Field. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Lady. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Lady's Pictorial. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B	C	D
Lady's Realm. *M.* ...	A		C	
Lancet. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Land and Water. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Law Journal. *W.* ...				D
Law Times and Reports. *W.*				D
Library. *Q.*	A			
Library Assistant. *M.* ...	A			
Library Association Record. *M.*	A			D
Library World. *M.* ...	A		C	D
Lifeboat. *Q.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
Literary World. *M.* ...	A			D
Little Folks. *M.* ...			C	
Liverpool Courier. *D.* ...	A		C	
Lloyd's List. *D.* ...				D
Local Government Chronicle. *W.* (gift) ...		B	C	D
Local Government Journal. *W.* (gift to B C)	A	B	C	D
Locomotive Magazine. *M.* (gift)			C	
London County Council Gazette. *W.* (gift) ...	A	B	C	D
London Gazette. *Bi-weekly.*				D
Manchester Guardian. *D.*	A		C	
Marylebone Mercury. *W.*		B		
Methodist Recorder. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B		
Methodist Times. *W.* ...		B		
Month, The. *M.* ...	A	B		
Morley College Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Morning Advertiser. *D.*...			C	D
Morning Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Motor Boat. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Motor Cycling. *W.* (gift)	A			
Motor Traction. *W.* (gift)	A			D
Municipal Journal. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Musical Herald. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Musical Standard. *W.*...	A			
Musical Times. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Musicians, Incorporated Society of, Report. *M.* (gift)			C	
Nash's and Pall Mall Magazine. *M.* ...	A	B	C	D
Nation. *W.*	A		C	D
National Review. *M.* ...	A		C	D
National Temperance Quarterly. *Q.* (gift) ...	A			
Nature. *W.*	A	B		D
Navy, The. *M.* (gift to A C)	A		C	D
Navy List. *Q.* (*M.* at A)	A	B	C	D
New Age. *W.*				D
New Church Magazine. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
New Statesman. *W.* ...	A			D
Nineteenth Century and After. *M.*	A	B	C	D
North American Review. *M.*				D
Notes and Queries. *W.*...	A		C	D
Nursing Mirror. *W.* ...	A			
Observer. *W.* (October to March only)	A			D
Orchestral Gazette. *M.* (gift)	A			
Organist and Choirmaster. *M.*				D
Our Own Gazette (Y.W.C.A.) *M.* (gift)...			C	
Outlook. *W.*	A			D
Pall Mall Gazette. *D.* ...	A	B	C	D
Parents' Review. *M.* (gift)	A		C	
Patents : Illus. Official Journal. *W.* (gift) ...			C	

Pearson's Magazine. *M.*	A	B		
People. *W.* (October to March only)				D
Philanthropist. *M.* (gift)	A			
Photography. *W.* ...			C	
Pitman's Journal. *W.* (gift to A)	A	B	C	D
Policy. *W.* (gift) ...	A			
Political Quarterly. *Q.*...	A			
Poor Law Officer's Journal. *W.* (gift)	A		C	D
Post Office Guide. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Public Opinion. *W.* ...	A		C	
Publishers' Circular. *W.*	A			D
Punch. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quarterly Review. *Q.* ...	A	B	C	D
Queen. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Quiver. *M.*	A	B	C	
Railway Gazette. *W.* (gift)			C	
Railway News. *W.* ...	A			
Railway Review. *W.* (gift)			C	D
Record. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Reporters' Magazine. *M.*				D
Review of Reviews. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Revue des deux Mondes. *F.*	A			D
Roman Studies, Jnl. of *H.*	A			
Royal Meteorological Society Journal. *Q.* (gift)			C	
Royal Microscopical Society's Journal (gift)			C	
St. Martin-in-the-Fields Monthly Messenger. *M.* (gift)				D
St. Nicholas Magazine. *M.*...	A		C	
St. Patrick's Parish Magazine. *M.* ...				D
Sales and Wants Advertiser. *M.*	A		C	
Saturday Review. *W.* ...	A	B	C	D
Schoolmaster. *W.* ...	A			D
Schoolmistress. *W.* ...	A			
Scotsman. *D.*	A			D
Scribner's Magazine. *M.*	A	B	C	
Seamen, Registrar-General's return of deaths of. *M.* (gift) ...	A		C	D
Secretary. *M.* (gift) ...	A			
Selborne Magazine. *M.* (gift)			C	
Shipping Gazette. *D.* ...				D
Shipping Gazette. *W.* ...			C	
Shipping Register. *M.* (gift)	A			
Sketch. *W.*	A	B	C	
Society of Arts Journal. *W.*				D
Son of Temperance. *M.* (gift)	A			
South Africa. *W.* ...	A		C	D
South Wales Daily News. *D.*	A			
Spectator. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Sphere. *W.*	A	B	C	
Stage. *W.*				D
Standard. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Star. *D.*	A		C	
Statist. *W.*			C	
Strand Magazine. *M.* ...	A	B	C	
Studio. *M.*	A	B	C	D
Sunday at Home. *M.* ...	A	B	C	
Sunday Times. *W.* (October to March only) ...	A			D
System. *M.*	A			
Table. *W.*	A			
Tablet. *W.*	A	B		D
Tatler. *W.*	A	B	C	
Tenison's School Magazine. *Q.* (gift) ...				D
Territorial Service Gazette. *W.*			C	
Textile Recorder. *M.* (gift)			C	D
Timber. *W.* (gift) ...			C	
Times. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Times Index. *Q.* ...	A			
Times Supplements ...	A	B	C	D
Tramway and Railway World. *M.* (gift) ...			C	D
Treasury. *M.*		B	C	
Truth. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Under the Dome *Q.* ...				D
United Empire. *M.* (gift)	A		C	D
University Correspondent. *M.* (gift)	A	B	C	
Vanity Fair and Hearth and Home. *Q.* ...	A	B		D
West London Press. *W.*	A			
Western Daily Mercury. *D.*			C	
Westminster and Pimlico News. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Express. *W.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Gazette. *D.*	A	B	C	D
Westminster Mail. *W.*...	A		C	D
Windsor Magazine *M.*...	A	B	C	
Women's Employment, *F.*	A			
Women's Industrial News. *Q.* (gift to A)	A		C	

Work. *W.*			C	D
Work. *M.*	A	B		
World. *W.*	A	B	C	D
World's Work and Play. *M.*	A	B		D
Yorkshire Post. *D.* ...	A	B	C	
Young England. *M.* ...	A			
Zoophilist. *M.* (gift) ...	A			

Railway Time Tables (supplied by the respective companies)—

Belgian State Railways	A	B		D
Caledonian	A		C	D
Glasgow & South Western	A		C	D
Great Central	A	B	C	D
Great Eastern	A	B	C	D
Great Northern ...	A	B	C	D
Great Western... ...	A	B	C	D
Highland		B		
Lancashire & Yorkshire				D
London & North-Western	A	B	C	D
London & South-Western	A	B	C	D
London, Brighton & South Coast... ...	A	B	C	D
London County Council List of Workmen's Trains and Trams ...	A	B	C	D
London, Tilbury & Southend				D
Metropolitan				D
Midland	A	B	C	D
North British	A	B	C	D
North Eastern... ...	A	B		
South Eastern & Chatham	A	B	C	D
Zeeland Steamship Co.	A			D

STATEMENT OF

EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

AND

PARTICULARS OF LOANS.

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1915.

EXPENDITURE.

	Buckingham Palace Road Library.	South Audley Street Library.	Great Smith Street Library.	St. Martin's Lane Library.	General.	Total Expenditure.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Fittings and Repairs	79 13 0	126 4 11	546 2 2	144 4 9	—	896 4 10
Books and Catalogues	—	—	—	—	1,404 10 3	1,404 10 3
Bookbinding	123 12 1	50 9 9	96 6 9	136 1 0	—	406 9 7
Newspapers and Periodicals	139 2 8	72 8 11	114 11 4	118 8 11	—	444 11 10
Salaries and Wages...	1,627 0 5	734 19 4	827 5 3	1,137 19 7	752 2 0	5,079 6 7
Printing and Stationery	45 10 4	12 4 1	54 5 5	73 13 3	19 9 9	205 2 10
Fuel, Light and Water	173 15 10	107 4 3	164 11 6	131 5 11	—	576 17 6
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurances ...	229 5 9	221 5 3	200 18 0	193 2 4	—	844 11 4
Cleaning Materials	39 19 4	18 4 10	50 4 4	24 8 6	—	132 17 0
Postage and Office Expenses	13 2 2	1 14 10	4 4 0	5 7 0	4 18 10	29 6 10
Compensation...	—	—	—	—	110 0 0	110 0 0
Miscellaneous...	10 2 10	8 2 6	5 2 5	13 10 8	25 14 11	62 13 4
	2,481 4 5	1,352 18 8	2,063 11 2	1,978 1 11	2,316 15 9	10,192 11 11
Mortgage Loan Charges	789 19 4	325 5 4	294 3 2	763 9 0	—	2,172 16 10
£	3,271 3 9	1,678 4 0	2,357 14 4	2,741 10 11	2,316 15 9	12,365 8 9

Public Libraries Account for the year ended 31st March, 1915.

INCOME.

	£ s. d.	Buckingham Palace Road Library. £ s. d.	South Audley Street Library. £ s. d.	Great Smith Street Library. £ s. d.	St. Martin's Lane Library. £ s. d.	Totals. £ s. d.	Totals. £ s. d.
Fines...		56 7 6	22 8 7	38 17 8	48 1 10	165 15 7	
Catalogues		10 1 9	2 19 3	3 14 1	8 0 11	24 16 0	
Rents		100 0 0	—	—	—	100 0 0	
Interest on Investment		79 3 8	—	—	—	79 3 8	
Donations and Miscellaneous		13 7 1	8 15 4	6 16 0	17 3 6	46 1 11	
		259 0 0	34 3 2	49 7 9	73 6 3	415 17 2	415 17 2
Balance transferred to Parochial Accounts:—							
St. George, Hanover Square	4,389 11 7						
St. Margaret and St. John	2,260 0 0						
St. Peter (Collegiate Close)...	8 0 0						
St. James	2,253 0 0						
St. Anne, Soho	452 0 0						
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	1,500 0 0						
St. Clement Danes	543 0 0						
St. Mary-le-Strand	122 0 0						
St. Paul, Covent Garden	262 0 0						
Liberty of the Rolls	105 0 0						
Precinct of the Savoy	55 0 0						11,949 11 7
						£	12,365 8 9

Statement as to Loans at 31st March, 1915.

Purpose of Loan.	Amount originally borrowed.	Name of Lender.	Date of original borrowing.	For what period.	Mode of repayment, Annuity or Instalment.	Amount of Principal owing at commencement of the year.	Principal repaid during the year.	Amount of Interest paid during the year.	Amount of Principal owing at end of the year.	Rate of Interest.
	£			*Y'rs*		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE:—										
Erection of Public Library, Buckingham Palace Road	14,600	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	24th Nov., 1892	30	Annuity	6,053 11 11	583 2 10	206 16 6	5,470 9 1	3½
Erection of Public Library, South Audley Street	4,000	London County Council	15th Mar., 1894	30	Ditto	1,814 19 10	154 7 8	62 9 2	1,660 12 2	3½
Ditto	2,000	Ditto	2nd April, 1894	30	Ditto	907 10 2	77 3 10	31 4 8	830 6 4	3½
ST. MARGARET AND ST. JOHN :—										
Purchase of Site and Erection of Library, Great Smith Street	7,000	Ditto	20th Oct., 1891	30	Instalment	1,864 0 0	233 0 0	61 3 2	1,631 0 0	3½
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS :—										
Purchase of Site	8,000	Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.	19th May, 1890	50	Annuity	5,703 17 2	141 11 5	198 8 3	5,562 5 9	3½
Erection of Library	7,000	Ditto	19th May, 1890	30	Ditto	1,879 19 9	315 13 8	63 1 4	1,564 6 1	3½
Ditto	790	Ditto	1st Dec., 1891	30	Ditto	238 5 9	36 7 6	8 6 10	201 18 3	3½
	£43,390					£18,462 4 7	1,541 6 11	631 9 11	16,920 17 8	

WM. CULSHAW, *City Comptroller.*

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